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MRS. MARTHA H. CLARK.

On Sunday morning at half past six o'clock Mrs. Martha H. Clark died at her home on Market street, after a brief illness. For some time she had not been strong, and her friends could see that she was failing with advancing years, but her death was wholly unexpected. On Friday night she had an attack of what appeared to be heart trouble, followed by great weakness, and from this she did not rally, though everything was done that medical skill and the most careful nursing could do.

Mrs. Clark was born in Danville on January 12, 1826. She was a daughter of Geo. A. Frick Esq., a prominent lawyer in his day, and a sister of Col. A. J. Frick of Danville, and Augustus Frick of Bluffton, Ohio. She was married to Robert F. Clark Esq., and from this union nine children were born, namely, Clarence H. now deceased, John M., George A., Mary M., and Martha F., of Bloomsburg; Mrs. R. C. Neal, and Arthur A. of Harrisburg; Edward B. of Hummelstown, and William H. of Florida. All the living children except William were present at their mother's death bed. Though greatly bereaved, they have the consolation of knowing that their mother's whole life was cheered and lightened by the loving solicitude and devotion of her children.

The deceased was a communicant of St. Paul's P. E. Church, and has been an earnest and consistent member from her girlhood. Until her health failed, there was no one more active in the work of the church than she. The guilds, the sewing societies, the choir, and other organizations were all matters of interest to her, and her helping hand was always ready wherever assistance was needed. Her memory is blessed to many who, in times of sickness, sorrow, and death, were the recipients of her loving ministrations. She was a good, true, and noble woman, and her death has filled the hearts of many friends with grief.

The funeral was held in St. Paul's Church on Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, and was largely attended. There were many beautiful floral offerings. The services were conducted by the rector, Rev. D. N. Kirkby, and the burial took place in Rosemont.

OFF FOR WASHINGTON.

The excursion in charge of the Principal and Faculty of the Normal School, left as advertised for Washington on Monday morning. Fully one hundred and fifty boarded the train which left East Bloomsburg at 8:47.

The Principal and Faculty have been very busy for some time in making the necessary arrangements for the excursion, and have taken great care in arranging this trip to Washington City. The train consisted of three cars, all of which were trimmed with long strips of muslin, bearing the inscription: "Bloomsburg State Normal School." They will spend Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, in the National Capitol, visiting all the places of interest, and return home Friday evening.

Term Concert.

A large crowd was present at the Normal Auditorium last Saturday night, the event being the Seventh term concert given by the music department of the Normal. The program of twelve numbers was beautifully rendered, and judging from the applause was thoroughly enjoyed by the large crowd present.

Eckert's Life Insured.

It was learned at Wilkesbarre on Monday, that Eckert, who was to have been hanged at that place, last week, but committed suicide by taking morphine, had his life insured for $1,000 in the Security Mutual Life Association, of Binghamton, N. Y.

An effort will soon be made to procure money to purchase a new pipe organ for the Episcopal Church. The old organ is sweet toned, but its mechanism is out of date and its pipes are out of tune, and it is almost impossible for the organist to handle it. One can never tell what sort of moans and groans it is going to emit at improper times.

Owing to the rush of advertising, we are obliged to print a supplement this week to accommodate the reading matter.

SLOAN—WHITELEY.

Among the Washington news in the Philadelphia Sunday *Press* was the following;

"The marriage of Miss Marguerite Hungerford Whiteley and Mr. Frank H. Sloan of Baltimore was one of the many matrimonial events Wednesday, Dec. 9th, the ceremony taking place in St. John's church in the presence of a number of invited guests, at four o'clock.

Right Rev. Henry Yates Satterlee, Bishop of Washington, officiated, assisted by the rector of the church, Dr. Mackey-Smith. The ushers who preceded the bride to the altar, were W. D. Dill, Jr., J. R. Butcher, F. W. Hurlbutt, J. T. Heyward, B. F. Bolleau, of Baltimore, and Mr. W. S. Rishton, of Bloomsburg. There were no bridesmaids and the bride entered on the arm of her cousin, John Payton, of that city, who gave her hand in marriage. The wedding gown was a traveling costume of brown cloth and violet hat to match, and her bridal bouquet was of white violets.

E. E. Smith, of Philadelphia, acted as best man, entering the church with the groom from the vestry. The bride comes of a distinguished family of Virginians, being closely related to the Fairfaxes and Paytons of that state, and is the grand-daughter of the late Richard Whiteley, former United States Senator from Georgia. Mr. Sloan is the city surveyor of Baltimore, and after a honeymoon journey of some weeks will take his bride to that city to reside. The prayer book from which the marriage service was read is the same as that used at the marriage of the grandmother, for whom the bride was named, and was rebound in white silk for this occasion."

Mr. Sloan is the eldest son of Mr. C. P. Sloan of this town. He and his bride have the best wishes of many friends here. They expect to visit Bloomsburg during the holidays.

THE ANIMOTISCOPE.

Filled the Congregational Church and Pleased the Audience.

The animotiscope made its first appearance in this city, Thursday night. The commodious First Congregational Church was filled until standing room was at a premium. Prof. Howe's work with both phonograph and the latest wonder, the animotiscope, was of the highest character, and gave the most complete satisfaction. The new invention had not been seen by most of the audience, and they were enthusiastic in their applause. The professor introduced his treat by a few descriptive remarks in which he said that when it was found that photographs could be taken instantaneously inventors continued to progress until now 46 photographs are taken each second, on celluloid tape, and the result is a living reproduction of life and motion.

The scene "At Manhattan Beach," the "Morning Bath" and the fire scenes are awe-inspiring funny and thrilling in the order named. The first production was a New York scene, and the moving of the cable cars, the trucks in the street and every motion of the horses were as realistic as life, and the evening's entertainment will long be remembered.—*Middletown Daily Press.* Dec. 11, 1896.

The above entertainment will be given in the Lutheran Church by the Christian Endeavor Society on Dec. 28, at 8 o'clock P. M. Tickets for general admission 25 cents. Reserved seats 35 cents.

The patrons of the Opera House, will no doubt be glad to learn that on Tuesday night, Dec. 22nd, they will have an opportunity to see Lincoln J. Carter's grand scenic production "The Fast Mail." Don't fail to see the flight of the fast mail, Niagara Falls by moonlight, and many other startling effects. Prices 25, 35 and 50 cents. Reserved seats at Slate's book store.

Mattie E., daugter of W. R. Sober, who resides on West Second street died on Tuesday night of diabetis. She had not been in very good health for some time, but her condition was not considered serious until Tuesday when she grew worse, and death was the result at fifteen minutes before seven of the above day. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. I. M. Patterson Friday morning at half past eight, interment near Danville.

Some of the plastering fell from the ceiling of the auditorium in the Lutheran church one day last week. It was probably caused by a leak in the roof.

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When court convened on Monday morning there were no cases ready for trial, and an adjournment was had until Tuesday morning. Judge Metzgar, who is presiding this week and next in the necessary absence of Judge Ikeler, went home on Monday evening. On Tuesday morning, Judges Murphy and Millard discharged the jurors until Thursday morning at nine o'clock when the suit of William Case and wife against the D. L. & W. R. R. Co. will be taken up. It was fixed for trial on Wednesday, and the delay was caused by the fact that James Scarlet, Esq., one of the counsel for Mr. Case, was engaged in a trial in Wilkes-Barre and could not get here on Wednesday.

The great six day bicycle race in the Madison Square Garden, New York, ended at 10 o'clock, Saturday night, in the presence of an immense crowd. Fully 10,000 persons were on hand to see the finish, and the enthusiasm was of a cyclonic nature. Teddy Hale, the phenomenal Irish rider finished in front, having rode 1910 miles in six days, beating the former record by something like 300 miles. Joe Rice, of Wilkes-Barre, finished second. Wilkes Barre "rooters" were there in full force and cheered their plucky townsman. The purse is said to be 7,500, and will be divided between the first eleven. Rice's wealthy admirers at Wilkes-Barre will present him with $1,000 for his noble effort.

The alarm of fire was sounded on Thursday evening about 7:30 o'clock, and people hurried down East Street, but before many reached the scene the fire was out. The scare was caused by a hot box on the shaft under the boiler house, of Creasy & Wells planning mill. The damage done was very little.

The First National Bank of Hollidaysburg and its two branches, the Martinsburg Deposit Bank, and the Williamsburg Bank, closed their doors on Monday. Withdrawal of deposits was the cause.

The Bloomsburg basket ball team has been organized with W. H. Eyer as manager. He is trying to make arrangements for a game with Danville for next week.

The following appeared in last Friday's issue of the *Semi-Weekly Spirit*, published at Jersey Shore, Pa:

"Two young girls near Danville went skating on a pond near their home Tuesday against the wishes of their parents and were drowned. A brother who went to their rescue was drowned, while another brother and their father narrowly escaped being drowned."

It is rumored that Rev. Dr. T. DeWitt Talmage is soon to wed Miss Susie Maugam of Sing Sing, N. Y. Dr. Talmage has been a widower more than a year. Miss Maugam is thirty years of age, and she has a brother married to a daughter of Dr. Talmage. Her marriage to Dr. Talmage, who is seventy-four years old, will make the bride her brother's step mother.

Class 9 of the M. E. Sunday School will hold a hard times Social, Concert and Apron Bazaar at the Magee Carpet Mill on Friday evening Dec. 18th as a benefit for the new Church. Admission free. Ample accommodations have been made for a thousand persons. The entertainment will be first class. Decorations up-to-date, and aprons for everybody, for specific particulars see programs of which you will be supplied. Don't miss this and then be sorry the rest of your life.

Rev. E. M. Wardin, whose illness we announced last week, died on Thursday and was buried on Sunday, in Carthage, Mo. He formerly resided here, and from 1872 to 1874 was owner of the *Republican*. He sold to Beckley & Brown in August 1874, and soon afterwards removed with his family to Carthage, where he has been engaged in preaching. He is survived by his wife who is a sister of Mrs. Layton Runyon, and an adopted son.

A company of amateurs from Hazleton, traveling under the name of Trixie Lilian Comedy Co., were booked for the Opera House last Friday and Saturday nights. As no one turned out there was no show on Friday night, but on Saturday night they gave a very tame performance to a small audience.

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ANCIENT NIPPUR.

WONDERFUL REVELATIONS OF PREHISTORIC CIVILIZATION.

An American Expedition Makes a Wonderful Find—Records of Civilization Over Ten Thousand Years Old—King Sargon—Value of the Discovery.

Recent discoveries in Babylonian history, made through the medium of excavations conducted on the site of old Nippur, supposed to be the oldest city of the world, by a commission sent out by the University of Pennsylvania seem to carry back Bible chronology and the vestiges of early civilization several thousand years. The commission, of which the Rev. John P. Peters D. D., was the first director, and Prof Herman V. Hilprecht the permanent Assyriologist, discovered the interesting fact that ancient Nippur, supposed to be the oldest city of the world, was built upon the ruins of a still more ancient city, in which were found bricks containing cuneiform descriptions which carry the records of civilization back to the year (estimated) 5,250 B. C. Prof. Hilprecht believes the records to be still older, probably 9,000 B. C., and Dr. Peter's computation, on the records found, places the date of the ancient city at 7,000 B. C.

It is admitted that these discoveries will have a most important influence upon Bible chronology, which is practically revolutionized, as well as upon archaeological study.

Eight years ago, when the University of Pennsylvania decided to send out an expedition for Babylonian research, Prof. Hilprecht and Rev. Dr Peters, then professor of archaeology at the university decided upon Nippur as the spot that offered promise of the most ancient finds. They were not mistaken. The whole world of learning has been thrilled by the records the American excavators have dug up under the Temple of Bel at Nippur.

To understand the method of archaeological research in Babylonia, it must be remembered that, from the beginning of religion in the East, there has been a firm belief, which thousands of years have not been able to shake, that nothing about a temple must ever be destroyed. The vases on which were written the temple archives were kept for thousands of years, and were broken only by accident. The worshippers believed that never could any temple prosper that did not stand upon the outlines of the first temple. If the old temples were in ruins they did not remove the fallen walls, but built upon them. The same practice is still adhered to in the East.

Prof. Herman V. Hilprecht.

The ruins of ancient Nippur consisted of a series of sand mounds, at the apex of which was a hilltop ninety seven feet above the surrounding desert level and fifty feet above the surrounding debris. The Arabs called the hill "Daughter of the Prince." The walls of the temple, as they were excavated, seemed to have been built by Kadashman-Durgn, who lived only 1,200 years before Christ. But it took only a little work to reveal that the bricks which bore his name formed only a thin veneer, on the real body of the temple, which had been put there to protect the more ancient shrine from the wearing effects of the sand of the desert. The temple proper, it was found, had been built by King Ur-gur who flourished 2,800 years B. C. The workmen dug away until they reached the foundations of Ur-gur's temple which were eight feet thick. Here they discovered that it had been built upon a still more ancient temple, the foundation of which consisted of two courses of immense baked bricks of a size and shape like nothing ever before found in Babylonia or anywhere else in the world. In addition to King Sargon's name in cuneiform characters each brick bore the deliberate thumb imprint of the slave who made it. The scientists were dumbfounded. Sargon who is mentioned in the Bible, had long been considered a myth by archaeologists. Yet here was the ruins of his temple, bearing his name, and the debris of the city over which he had ruled. Assyrian history, at a leap was carried back thirty dynasties beyond the reign of the most ancient King hitherto known.

Under the two courses of great bricks laid by Sargon was found strata about thirty feet thick containing vases and inscribed fragments that had been gradually deposited by centuries of inhabitants. As the excavators went down, the evidence became more and more clear that they were delving in the ruins of a city that antedated by thousands of years the most ancient records of known civilization. The cureiform inscriptions grew more primitive at every step. Prof. Hilprecht, who is perhaps the best living authority in the cureiform characters, and knew that it originated in picture writing, felt sure that before the bottom of the vein was struck the pictures would be found. The excavations were continued to a depth of thirty feet below the platform of Sargon, where virgin clay was found, and all traces of human life disappeared. They unearthed no writings in which the pictures were whole. They found that the present desert level was not the one that had existed in the early days of Nippur. There was an older desert thirty feet or so below the present line, on this plain ancient Nippur had been founded.

Prof. Hilprecht is satisfied, from conservative computations of the growth of the layers of strata, that the lower stratas were accumulated 2,000 years before Sargon's day and at least 6,000 years before Christ. Fragments were found containing cuneiform characters scratched 6,000 years B. C. But the world was not an infant even in those days. The earliest of the writings found represent a development that must have required at least 3,000 years so that Prof. Hilprecht's estimate that the records of man's works at Nippur extend back at least 9,000 years seems to be a reasonable one.

The expedition is admitted to be one of the most important scientific undertakings in the history of Western Asia.

Ruins of Ancient Nippur.

The deciphering of the inscriptions and the piercing of the fragmentary text will be the work of years. Many interesting stories have already been found in the mute bricks and fragments of the ancient city. The completed result will be of the highest importance both to Biblical and archaeological students.

"Hilprecht may well be proud," said Professor Sayce, of Oxford, "of the magnificent results he has achieved," and the other European archaeologists who, with Sayce, is considered a leader in the science, Hummel, of Munich added that "No other living Assyriologist could equal such a contribution to science."

R. L. SIMMS.

DEER POINT THE WAY TO GOLD.

Circumstances Which Open Golden Vistas for a Taxidermist.

Frank Dixon, the taxidermist of 727 Walnut street, who left this city three weeks ago to hunt for gold in Colorado which he thought he could locate from gold dust which he found on deer's teeth, has written back that he is still on the hunt and in no wise discouraged.

Dixon's hunt for gold, and the way in which he undertook it, would seem to many like a wild goose chase. Dixon was the only taxidermist in this city. Birds and animals came to him from over all the west to be stuffed and mounted. A year ago he received two deer's heads from Colorado to be mounted, and when Dixon skinned them he noticed a yellow substance on the teeth. He examined the teeth closely in the light and thought he saw a sparkle. He argued this way: "The deer came from Colorado, the land of gold, they browsed on grass that grew where there was so much gold that its dust got on the grass and became incrusted on the deer's teeth; it only remains to find the exact spot where the deer were shot, and there will be found the gold."

Dixon took the teeth to a dentist and he said the incrustation was really a gold deposit. He took them to his friend Schnetter, a goldsmith, and he became as enthusiastic as Dixon. Dixon then wrote to the man who had sent him the deer's heads and found out where the deer were shot, away out beyond Denver in the wilds of Colorado. Schnetter and Dixon started three weeks ago for that place.

A letter received from Dixon states that Schnetter has started back to Kansas City, but Dixon, still full of hope, was about to start on a three week's tour along the south fork of the White river. He had found no trace of gold, but the woods were full of grouse and deer. He had examined the teeth of all the deer shot, and they were all incrusted with the yellow, shining deposit which he was sure was gold.—Kansas City Star.

The Supreme Court on Toothache.

The dignity of the Supreme Court of North Carolina may have suffered in its manner of rendering a recent decision but the departure from the stilted and involved phraseology of the court reports has a breezy novelty about it that will win it welcome. That feature of the decision is of more interest than its subject matter. It was in denial of the right of a dentist to give a prescription for the sale of whisky on Sunday and reads in part as follows: "If dentists came within the term 'physician,' as used in code, section 11, toothache' would become alarmingly more prevalent than 'snake-bite,' and that it would with usage, become more dangerous is evident from the fact that the very first dental surgeon's prescription for toothache coming before us is for 'one pint of whisky.' The size of the tooth is not given, nor whether it was a molar, incisor, eye-tooth or wisdom-tooth—and yet there are thirty-two teeth in a full set, each of which might ache on Sunday. The duties of a dentist are limited to the 'manual or mechanical operations' on the teeth. Whenever the use of liquor is necessary, it being a remedy to act on the body and only indirectly in case for the teeth, within the purview of the statute it must be prescribed by a 'physician' to authorize a sale on Sunday."—New York Post.

Tact and Gentleness.

Of all the gifts to be prayed for, next to grace at heart, tact and gentleness in manner are the most desirable. A brusque, shy, curt manner, a cold indifference, a snappish petulance, a timid appearance of stolidity, antagonize and wound and rob even really kind actions of half their value. It is worth while to do a kind thing gracefully and tactfully. There is a certain propriety of demeanor which never makes a mistake, which guards the feeling of a loved one as carefully as a mother cherishes her little delicate child. In time such fact becomes natural, and one who has it makes others happy without trying to do so.

Election Figures.

The remarkable nature of the recent election is only becoming known as the figures are studied and compared with those of the presidential election in 1892. And the more they are studied the more remarkable the election of McKinley appears to be.

In 1894 Cleveland had a popular vote of 5,556,918, and Harrison 5,176,108, and there were 12,110,636 votes cast. Cleveland had a popular plurality of 380,810. This year Bryan polled, as correctly as we can ascertain, 6,344,463 votes, or 787,545 votes more than Cleveland received. On the surface, added to Cleveland's plurality of 380,810, this would seem to indicate a great victory for Bryan. But while the Democratic vote increased that much the Republican vote increased 1,876,994 giving McKinley a plurality of 708,639.

McKinley received 7,053,102 votes, the most ever cast for any candidate. The total vote was 13,600,000, an increase of three millions and a half since the last presidential election. While McKinley's plurality is very large the returns show that it can be made up by the pluralities of three states—Massachusetts with 165,000, New York with 249,000 and Pennsylvania with nearly 300,000. In the ten fusion states we mentioned a few days ago—California, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Minnesota, New Jersey, Ohio, Oregon, West Virginia and Wisconsin—while the Democratic vote increased 212,675, enough to have carried them for the Democratic candidate, the Republican vote increased more than 730,000, sweeping these states into the McKinley column, although Kentucky went there by only a couple of hundred, not enough votes to carry all the electors.

The vote was a tremendous one, at least on paper. We hope it is a real one. It is, to say the least, remarkable that what appears to be a plurality of 1,168,355 should be met with an increased vote of 1,876,994, assuring a Republican plurality of 708,639. It is remarkable but Hannaesque. And it is also remarkable that three states should give that much plurality alone and that in all the others Bryan could not get enough votes to elect him. That also was Hannaesque.—*Patriot.*

Turned Down the Miners.

We clip the following from the *Daily*, published at Sunbury. It says:

"The indignation of the workingmen of the anthracite coal region is aroused at the glaring insult by the newspapers of Philadelphia, when they declined to publish the resolutions on the United States Senator contest and condemnatory to John Wanamaker, one of the candidates for that high office. It is known that the resolutions that were adopted at the late convention of the United Mine Workers of America were furnished to every morning paper in Philadelphia on Friday night, but all declined to publish them. This was the case with every paper, no matter what its political complexion, and now the miners wonder how it comes that these papers take such interest in the workingmen, when their direct votes are needed and give them a cold turn down at a time when, though they have no vote, they have a right to express a desire to have only a man friendly to their interests fill a certain high place."

Reduced Rates to Washington on Account of the Inauguration via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the benefit of those who desire to attend the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of President-elect McKinley, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to Washington March 1, 2, 3, and 4, valid to return from March 4 to 8, at the following rates: From New York, $8.00; Philadelphia, $5.40; Baltimore, $1.60; Harrisburg, $5.06; Williamsport, $8.79; Buffalo, $11.20; Rochester, $10.48; Altoona and Pittsburg, $10.00; and from all other stations on the Pennsylvania system at reduced rates.

This inauguration will be a most interesting event, and will undoubtedly attract a large number of people from every section of the country.

The magnificent facilities of the Pennsylvania Railroad make this line the favorite route to the national capital at all times, and its enormous equipment and splendid terminal advantages at Washington make it especially popular on such occasions.

Charles Clark, of Williamsport, was on Friday riddled with shot while out gunning. He sat down to rest with his head against a stump, and had on an old gray hat, which, from a distance, resembled the color of a squirrel of that species. William Crawford, with another party, mistook Clark's hat for a squirrel and shot at it. Clark was not killed but he is badly injured.

Thin or gray hair and bald heads, so displeasing to many people as marks of age, may be averted for a long time by using Hall's Hair Renewer.

BOYS AND TOBACCO.

A skilled physician recently investigated the effects of smoking on thirty-eight boys between the ages of nine and fifteen years. Twenty-seven showed distinct signs of nicotine poisoning In twenty-two there were serious disorders of the circulation, indigestion, dullness of intellect, and a marked appetite for strong drink. In there was heart affection; in eight decided deterioration of the blood; in twelve frequent bleeding of the nose; ten had disturbed sleep, and four ulceration of the mouth; of course many of them having several of these evils combined. By this report one can readily see the effects of tobacco on boys of a tender age.

Williamsport's board of trade has issued its annual report of the industries in that city. It shows that the number of males employed is 6317; females, 1412; a total of 7729. The averages wages of males is given as $11 23, and of females at $5.67. The annual value of the product of mills, shops and factories makes a grand total of $13,244,682.14.

The general pension appropriation bill for the year ending June 30, 1896 carries a total of $141,263,860.

670 new wells were completed in the coal oil fields of this state during November.

A girl rescued from the Johnstown flood seven years ago by Michael Sabol, has just been identified.

A mother wouldn't steal her own child, but we often see her kid napping.

When a man dies he leaves the earth, but none of his descendants get it.

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"Against the use of money in politics."—He won against Hastings by its use and it was used freely last month.

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"Public office should be for the public benefit."—He is setting up fences and pulling wires for the giving of public office to the man who will be of the most benefit to him.

"All unnecessary positions and salaries should be abolished."—At this moment he is contriving an amendment to the license law which will throw another crowd of office holders upon the support of the people.

"No state or county employe should be permitted to influence primaries or elections."—It is by the influence of such employes that Quay has controlled and continues to control the machine in this state.

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In Opposition.

The local editor of a daily paper in an interior town had been having great fun with the gas company, by poking the usual gags and jokes of the funny man at it and its methods with consumers. At the same time in the town was an economical council that refused to take gas for the streets on moonlight nights, thus cutting down the company's receipts. One day, after a particularly amusing roasting, the editor came into the local room and tapped the humorist on the shoulder.

"Your jokes are very good," he said kindly, "but you must let up on the gas company."

"What's that for?" asked the funny man. "The gas company is about all that you have left me to monkey with."

"That's all right," replied the editor. "It's enough to know that you must let up without asking why."

The humorist was disappointed, for he had some more good things in his mind to fire at the common enemy. At last his face brightened.

"I presume," he said humbly, "you won't object to my having a fling at the moon?"

"At the moon?" queried the editor, mystified.

"Yes, the moon. Don't you see?"

"Oh, yes, the moon, the moon! Haw! Haw!" laughed the editor. "Bang away at that all you please. It's in competition with the gas company and doesn't advertise either."—*Detroit Free Press.*

Eczema on the Face.

"I have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla for a pain in my back and grip and it has helped me wonderfully. My little girl has been afflicted with tetter for several months, and her face and forehead were rough and caused her much pain. She has taken Hood's Sarsaparilla and used Hood's Olive Ointment and now her face is smooth." Mrs. Ellen C. Mutzabaugh, Duncannon, Pa.

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The Cuban Problem.

There is no inherent improbability in the information, vouched for by the New York *World* as having been derived from "State Department sources," concerning the pendency of negotiations with Spain to the end of inducing her to accept the good offices of the United States in an effort to terminate the insurrection in Cuba if the revolt should not have been suppressed by January 1 next. It is very improbable, however, that Spain would propose any terms which it would be possible for the Cubans to accept. As long ago as 1837 the demands of the Cuban people were embodied in the manifesto of Don Jose Antonio Saco, published in Madrid in that year, which included home rule in all things and especially in economic affairs or matters affecting public expenses, taxation, commerce, local improvements and education—in a word, autonomy. But autonomy will never be conceded to Cuba by Spain. On that question all Spanish parties, whether Tories, Liberals, Carlists or Republicans, are a unit.

Then consider the bonded Cuban debt. There is the "old debt" and the "new debt," each amounting to $200,000,000; the debt incurred by Spain for the purposes of the war, which amounts to not much if any less than $100,000,000, and the recent loan of $50,000,000. In any peaceful settlement Cuba would be expected to shoulder this load of $550,000,000, or more than $400 per capita for every man, woman and child inhabiting the island. Is it conceivable that any representative body of the Cuban people would accept such a burden, even as the price of independence? The relations between Spain and Cuba have come to a deadlock which is insoluble except by the sword. Spain, indeed, may "create a solitude and call it peace" on the island Independence, however, is the only apparent alternative to the continued government of Cuba by martial law. A compromise, in the nature of the case, is impossible.—*Record.*

The Great Secret.

Boerhaave, the greatest doctor of his time, was anxious that it should go forth that even the most eminent doctor is somewhat of a "humbug." He carefully handed the key of a small diary to his executor, bade him open it immediately after his decease and let the contents go forth to the world at large. When the notebook was opened, all its pages but the last were blank, and on that final one there was written in large letters: "Directions to patients," "Keep your feet warm and your head cool, and trust for the rest to Providence."

An exchange says:—A "Towanda *Review* poet prays for the building of a trolley road for him to go to heaven on. We are afraid the grade is too heavy. Beside there would not be sufficient patronage from that town to pay operating expenses."

AN OCTOGENARIAN SCORCHER.

Miss Yates Claims to be the Oldest Wheelwoman on the Pacific Coast.

Mrs. Christina E. Yates claims the distinction of being the oldest wheelwoman. She is proud of the record she has made awheel, and stands ready to meet any woman of her age, either in a contest of skilful riding or as a matter of endurance. Miss Yates is 80 years old. She says that age does not count when it comes to riding a bicycle. She can wheel her way over the roughest roads, and seldom gets weary.

Miss Yates resides at 960 Grove street, Oakland, where she can be seen almost any day going out for her exercise. She gave an exhibition of riding in Jefferson Park in the presence of a number of people. The way she sailed around the paths and cut the figure eight with the wheel was a revelation to the few young damsels who had been inclined to make some fun of the aged cycler. But Miss Yates does not fear the smiles of the younger members of her sex. On the contrary, she enjoys attracting some attention, and is pleased to be recognized as the champion old lady rider.

"I believe I am the oldest woman bicycle rider on the coast," said Miss Yates, after giving an exhibition of her riding and posing for her picture. "I am proud of it, and I intend to hold the record. I do not believe that there is a woman of my age in the state who can outdo me in ordinary or trick riding. It was queer the way I learned to ride. I saw lots of these old gray-headed men around town sailing along on their wheels, and I came to the conclusion that there must be something good in it. I said to myself, if an old man can ride a wheel, surely an old woman can equal him. So I got a wheel and commenced to ride, and now here I am, a maiden lady of 80 years, and the champion rider of my sex as to age. In a short time I am going back to my old home in Columbus, Ohio, and I'm just going to astonish the natives. Won't the old boys open their eyes when they see Christina coming into town on a wheel and cutting a figure eight on the way?"

Undesirable Horse.

"Patrick, why didn't you tell me Farmer Laurie had a pony to sell, when you knew I wished to buy one for Ethel?" asked Mrs. James, with considerable severity.

"Och, mum," replied her man-of-all-work, with a beaming smile, "Oi'll not be sayin' that the craychure didn't schlip me moind, jist fer the toime bein', mum; but, anyway, he was no baste fer Miss Ethel, mum."

"And why not?" demanded Mrs. James.

"Why, mum," said Patrick, shifting his weight carelessly from one foot to the other, "Farmer Laurie made a great p'int of the craychure bein' 'well broke'—it was mesilf heard him shpakin' av it. An' as fer you, mum, yez towld me more than wanst that nothin' but a sound animile would yez take, mum, an' that's the livin' thruth!"

An Ohio Woman Lawyer.

Miss Nellie G. Robinson, late of Cincinnati, Ohio, where she practiced law for three years, has applied for admission to the New York bar, and has established herself in an office on Broadway.

Her experience legally has been a wide one. She has practiced in open court, but unintentionally made divorce cases her specialty.

"I was forced into it," is her explanation, "at first because women came to me who couldn't afford the expense of a suit. And afterwards most women came to me."

Miss Robinson is of plump and pleasing personality, and possesses a childish dimpled face and an abundance of blonde hair that are arguments in themselves.

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The Goal in Sight.

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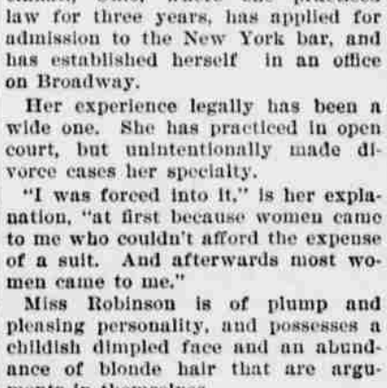

Charlie (reading his composition)—Every rabbit has four legs and one anecdote.

Teacher—What do you mean by an anecdote?

Charlie—A short, fuzzy tail.

THE BLUES.

A GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION OF THE DREADFUL FEELING.

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But she doesn't get "all right." She grows worse day by day, till all at once she realizes that a distressing female complaint is established.

Her doctor has made a mistake.

She has lost faith in him; hope vanishes; then comes the brooding, morbid, melancholy, everlasting BLUES. Her doctor, if he knew, should have told her and cured her, but he did not, and she was allowed to suffer. By chance she came across one of Mrs. Pinkham's books, and in it she found her very symptoms described and an explanation of what they meant. Then she wrote to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., for advice, feeling that she was telling her troubles to a woman. Speedy relief followed, and vigorous health returned.

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A Strange Bed.

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From lying in bed previous to the operation her body became so sore and tender that she could not endure touching even the softest substance. The doctors at the hospital decided to build a novel water bed for her to lie upon.

The bathtub was filled with tepid water and connected with two pipes, one for receiving a fresh supply of water and the other for the discharge. Then a band of linen upon which was placed a pillow of down was laid upon the top of the water.

Another band of linen ran across the feet, Mrs. Young was placed upon this novel bed and rested quietly. In this position she eats and sleeps while the stream of tempered water constantly flows through the tub.—New York *Journal.*

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Time Table in effect Nov. 15, '96.

Scranton(D & H)lv	A. M. 6 05	A. M. † 9 38	P. M. † 2 28	P. M. † 4 41
Pittston " "	7 04	110 00	1 2 50	5 06
Wilkesbarre...lv	A. M. † 7 30	A. M. †10 15	P. M. † 3 15	P. M. † 6 00
Plym'th Ferry "	† 7 38	10 21	† 3 21	† 6 04
Nanticoke..... "	7 46	10 27	3 29	6 15
Mocanaqua..."	8 04	10 45	3 47	6 35
Wapwallopen. "	8 13	10 55	3 57	6 46
Nescopeck.... ar	8 24	11 10	4 08	6 58
Pottsville..... lv	A. M. † 6 00	A. M. † 9 05	P. M. † 1 10	.....
Hazleton ..... "	7 10	11 05	3 04	.....
Tombicken..... "	7 30	11 25	3 22	.....
Fern Glen..... "	7 38	11 34	3 28	.....
Rock Glen..... "	7 43	11 40	† 3 39	.....
Nescopeck..... ar	8 07	.....	4 08	.....
Nescopeck.....lv	A. M. † 8 24	A. M. †11 10	P. M. † 4 08	.....
Creasy ..... "	8 33	Via	4 17	.....
Espy Ferry.... "	† 8 43	Rock	† 4 27	.....
E. Bloomsburg"	8 47	Glen	4 32	.....
Catawissa .... ar	8 55	P. M. 12 18	4 39	.....
Catawissa lv	8 55	12 18	4 39	.....
S. Danville.... "	9 14	12 34	4 57	.....
Sunbury..... "	9 35	12 55	5 40	.....
Sunbury lv	A. M. † 9 43	P. M. † 1 00	P. M † 5 40	.....
Lewisburg ....ar	10 15	1 45	6 10	.....
Milton ..... "	10 07	1 29	6 06	.....
Williamsport.."	11 00	2 20	7 00	.....
Lock Haven..."	12 05	3 32	8 00	.....
Renovo ..... "	P. M.	4 30	9 00	.....
Kane ..... "	.....	8 15	.....	.....
Sunbury..... lv	A. M. † 9 55	P. M. † 1 55	P. M. † 5 30	.....
Harrisburg....ar	†11 30	† 3 20	† 7 10	.....
Philadelphia .ar	P. M. † 3 00	P. M. † 6 13	P. M. †11 14	.....
Baltimore..... "	† 3 10	† 6 00	†10 40	.....
Washington "	† 4 10	† 7 15	.....	.....
Sunbury lv	A. M. †10 05	P. M. † 2 45	.....	.....
Lewistown Je ar	P. M. †12 05	† 4 37	.....	.....
Pittsburg..... "	† 7 00	†11 30	.....	.....
Harrisburg lv	A. M. 11 45	P. M. † 3 50	P. M. † 7 30	.....
Pittsburg ..... ar	P. M. 7 00	†11 30	A. M. † 2 00	.....

† Daily, except Sunday. ‖ Daily. ‡ Flag station.

Pittsburg.. ..lv	† 7 05	P. M. † 3 10	.....	A. M. † 8 00
Harrisburg.....ar	A. M. † 2 10	A. M. † 8 35	.....	P. M. † 3 10
Pittsburg. lv	.....	.....	.....	A. M † 8 00
Lewistown Jc."	.....	† 7 30	.....	P. M. † 3 15
Sunbury..... ar	.....	† 9 18	.....	† 5 10
Washington....lv	P. M. †10 40	A. M.	.....	A. M †10 50
Baltimore ..... "	†11 50	† 4 05	.....	†12 00
Philadelphia... "	†11 20	† 4 30	.....	†12 23
Harrisburg..... lv	A. M. † 3 30	A. M. † 8 05	.....	P. M. † 3 55
Sunbury.....ar	† 5 08	† 9 38	.....	† 5 35
Erie lv	P. M. † 3 25	P. M.	.....	A. M. .....
Kane..... "	7 05	.....	.....	† 6 30
Renovo ..... "	10 55	.....	.....	10 25
Lock Haven... "	11 25	† 7 30	.....	P. M. 3 00
Williamsport.."	A. M. 3 25	8 20	.....	4 00
Milton ..... "	4 12	9 22	.....	4 56
Lewisburg..... "	.....	9 15	.....	4 47
Sunbury..... ar	4 36	9 50	.....	5 25
Sunbury..... lv	A. M. † 5 25	A. M. † 9 55	.....	P. M. † 5 43
S. Danville..... "	5 48	10 17	.....	6 07
Catawissa..... "	6 08	10 35	.....	6 26
E. Bloomsburg"	Via	10 43	.....	6 33
Espy Ferry..... "	Rock	†10 47	.....	† 6 38
Creasy ..... "	Glen.	11 56	.....	6 48
Nescopeck ....ar	8 07	11 10	.....	6 58
Nescopeck.....lv	A. M.	A. M. †11 10	.....	P. M. † 6 58
Rock Glen..... ar	† 6 52	†11 35	.....	7 22
Fern Glen..... "	6 59	11 43	.....	7 27
Tombicken..... "	7 10	11 54	.....	7 34
Hazleton ..... "	7 37	P. M. 12 15	.....	7 56
Pottsville ..... "	8 45	1 10	.....	9 05
Nescopeck..... lv	A. M. † 8 07	A. M. †11 10	P. M. † 4 08	P. M. † 6 58
Wapwallopen.ar	8 18	11 22	4 20	7 09
Mocanaqua..."	8 28	11 32	4 32	21
Nanticoke ..... "	8 48	11 54	4 53	42
Plym'th Ferry "	† 8 56	P. M. 12 02	5 01	7 52
Wilkesbarre..."	9 05	12 10	5 10	8 00
Pittston(D & H) ar	A. M. † 9 41	P. M. †12 49	P. M. † 5 54	P. M. † 8 32
Scranton " "	10 10	1 16	6 21	9 03

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RAILROAD TIME TABLE

DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD.

BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.

STATIONS.	EAST. A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
NORTHUMBERLAND	6 25	1.50	10 05	5 50
Cameron	6 38	.....	.....	6 03
Chulasky	.....	.....	.....	6 07
Danville	6 50	2 12	10 26	6 13
Catawissa	7 03	2 26	10 39	6 26
Rupert	7 09	2 31	10 44	6 33
Bloomsburg	7 14	2 36	10 49	6 39
Espy	7 23	2 42	....	6 45
Lime Ridge	7 30	2 48	.....	6 52
Willow Grove	7 34	2 52	.....	6 56
Briarcreek	7 38	.....	.....	7 00
Berwick	7 48	3 01	11 12	7 06
Beach Haven	7 54	3 07	11 18	7 12
Hick's Ferry	8 00	3 13	....	7 19
Shickshinny	8 10	3 24	11 33	7 35
Hunlock's	8 20	3 34	..	7 47
Nanticoke	8 27	3 42	11 49	7 54
Avondale	8 32	3 47	....	7 58
Plymouth	8 37	3 52	11 56	8 03
Plymouth Junction	8 42	3 57	.....	8 07
Kingston	8 50	4 05	12 05	8 12
Bennett	8 53	4 08	.....	8 16
Forty Fort	8 56	4 11	.....	8 19
Wyoming	9 01	4 17	12 16	8 27
West Pittston	9 06	4 22	.....	8 30
Susquehanna Ave	9 10	4 25	12 23	8 33
Pittston	9 15	4 30	12 26	8 39
Duryea	9 19	4 34	.....	8 44
Lackawanna	9 24	4 37	.....	8 48
Taylor	9 32	4 45	12 40	8 57
Bellevue	9 37	4 50	.....	9 02
SCRANTON	9 42	4 55	12 48	9 07

STATIONS.	WEST. A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
SCRANTON	6 00	9 55	1 55	6 0
Bellevue	6 05	.....	.....	.....
Taylor	6 10	10 04	2 05	6 10
Lackawanna	6 18	10 11	2 13	6 17
Duryea	6 22	10 14	2 16	6 21
Pittston	6 28	10 18	2 20	6 2
Susquehanna Ave	6 32	10 21	2 23	6 28
West Pittston	6 35	10 24	2 27	6 31
Wyoming	6 40	10 29	2 32	6 36
Forty Fort	6 45	.....	.....	.....
Bennett	6 48	10 36	3 39	6 44
Kingston	6 54	10 39	2 45	6 53
Plymouth Junction	6 59	10 43	2 51	.....
Plymouth	7 04	10 47	2 54	7 0
Avondale	7 09	.....	2 58	7 07
Nanticoke	7 14	10 54	3 01	7 12
Hunlock's	7 20	11 00	3 10	7 20
Shickshinny	7 31	11 10	3 24	7 35
Hick's Ferry	7 44	11 23	3 35	7 47
Beach Haven	7 54	11 32	3 42	7 55
Berwick	8 00	11 40	3 49	8 00
Briarcreek	8 06	.....	3 55	.....
Willow Grove	8 10	11 50	3 59	8 11
Lime Ridge	8 14	11 56	4 04	8 1
Espy	8 21	12 04	4 11	8 2
Bloomsburg	8 28	12 12	4 17	8 30
Rupert	8 34	12 18	4 23	8 36
Catawissa	8 40	12 23	4 28	8 41
Danville	8 55	12 37	4 43	8 56
Chulasky	.....	.....	4 49	.....
Cameron	9 05	12 46	4 54	9 14
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 20	1 00	5 08	9 2
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.

Connections at Rupert with Philadelphia & Reading Railroad for Tamanend, Tamaqua Williamsport, Sunbury, Pottsville, etc At Northumberland with P. & E. Div. P. & R. for Harrisburg, Lock Haven, Emporium Warren, Corry and Erie.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1896.

IGNORANCE OF LAW NO EXCUSE.

In a case last week as appears in the court proceedings, a prosecution for selling liquor on election day, the court in suspending sentence as to imprisonment did so on the ground that the counsel for the defendant and the District Attorney stated that the sale was made after the polls had been closed and the vote announced to the public, and *that the defendant believed he had a right to sell under the law.*

The law explicitly declares that no liquor shall be sold on election day, and this has been repeatedly interpreted by the courts to mean the whole day, from twelve o'clock Monday night to twelve o'clock Tuesday night. The object of the law in prohibiting sales of liquor on election day was to prevent fights and brawls at a time when excitement runs high, and also to prevent candidates and their friends from influencing voters by the pernicious system of "treating." There does not seem to be any more objection to selling on election day after the polls are closed and the vote announced than at any other time. Nor is it so great an offense to sell then, as it is to sell to minors, to drunkards, or on Sunday. These latter cases are evils in themselves, while the former is only a prohibited act, though the law makes no distinction, and the penalty in all cases is the same, being fine and imprisonment.

The court has power to suspend sentence whenever it believes that the cause of justice requires it, and in this case we believe that the law was sufficiently vindicated by the imposition of a fine of fifty dollars and the costs; but the ground upon which the suspension of sentence is based is faulty because it is not a legal ground, and because it establishes a precedent which it will be dangerous to follow. "Ignorance of the law excuses no one," is a maxim as old as the law itself, and it has never been held in any court that ignorance of the law is an excuse for violating any statute. If it is a reason for suspending sentence when the offense is selling liquor on election day, then why not for selling to minors or on Sunday?

The entering of the plea of guilty by the defendant, without putting the county to the expense of a trial, and the further fact that the sales were made after the polls closed and the vote announced, would have been sufficient reason for suspending sentence as to imprisonment, and it would have left no chance for others engaged in the same traffic, and who may commit more flagrant offenses, to expect to be let off with a fine on the plea that they were ignorant of the law.

DOES NOT WANT A RAISE.

Congressman Cannon Not in Favor of an Increase in Legislative Salaries.

Congressman Cannon, of Illinois, chairman of the committee on appropriations, does not look with favor upon the propositiou of Congressman Boatner, of Louisiana, to increase the salary of the Speaker and of every member of the House of Representatives. He says: "There are 356 members of this House, and to give an increase of $2.500 per annum to each member would amount to an aggregate of $890,000; and if $2,000 is added to the salary of the Speaker, the total would be $892,000 per annum. I do not believe that the people want any further burdens to bear in the way of taxation.

"If the House of Representatives should increase the compensation of its members from $5,000 to $7,500 per annum, of course the Senators would want a similar increase in their incomes. There are 90 Senators, and their total increased compensation would be $225,000, to which amount the additional sum of $2,000 should be added for the Vice President, making $227,000. Now add that to the sum proposed to be expended for the House of Representatives, and you will see that Congressman Boatner really proposes to increase the total taxation of the country for salaries of Senators and Representatives, in the grand total of $1,117,000.

"If Congress should do that, at a time when the Treasury is so depleted, the people would retire to private life every man who would vote for the proposition."

Congressman Cannon is right. The salary is too high now for services rendered. When the people are suffering under the burden of taxation and hard times, they will not submit to a salary grab by congress. The laborer is worthy of his hire, and salaries of public officers should be sufficient to compensate fairly for work done, but public office is not a private snap out of which the officials are expected to amass fortunes.

If the present congress wants to feel the effects of a political cyclone, let them vote themselves additional salaries. They now get $5000 a year, and nobody knows how much the "perquisites" amount to.

"Farmer" Kulp, Ill.

The following from Washington dated the 14th appeared in the Harrisburg *Patriot* of Tuesday. It says:

"Congressman Kulp is alarmingly ill. He arrived here at noon to-day from his home at Shamokin suffering intensely from a high fever. When a physician was summoned he found the young congressman's temperature at the alarming height of 104½ degrees. Last week Mr. Kulp received word from home that a large tract of timber land which he owns in Pennsylvania was being devastated by forest fires. He at once left for the scene and it is supposed that he exposed and over-exerted himself.

When he left home early this morning he felt well and thought nothing of it until he passed Harrisburg, when he was taken with severe chills, which hourly increased in violence. When he reached Washington he was scarcely able to get to his hotel. The attending physicians say they are not certain as to whether Mr. Kulp is suffering from an attack of malaria or is threatened with typhoid fever. Everything is being done to relieve him."

THE NEW TARIFF BILL.

An Impression Prevails That the Measure Will Pass Early in the Extra Session.

The prevailing impression among Republican members of the House of Representatives is that there will be a tariff bill passed within two weeks after the extra session of Congress convenes next March. The Dingley bill as now being prepared will be completed some time this winter, and will approximate perfection as a revenue producer. It will be the work of the ablest men in the House of Representatives, under the direction of Speaker Reed, and under the guidance of Chairman Dingley. In order to make sure of its enactment into law the Republicans of the committee on ways and means will have with them for consultation Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island, and Senator Allison, of Iowa, the leaders of the Senate committee on finance. By thus working together the bill to be prepared will be formulated to suit the Senate—that is, as far as that body can be suited.

One of the Republican members of the committee on ways and means says: "It is generally understood that the Congress is to convene in extra session on March 15, by proclamation of President McKinley. Speaker Reed knows this and will be ready to at once announce his committee appointments. Then on March 16 or 17, the chairman of our committee, probably Mr. Daizell, will introduce the bill which we are now preparing. It will be referred to our committee in a formal manner, and, being already fully considered, it can be reported back to the House on March 18 and a time set for its discussion and passage. Of course, we must let the minority have time to make speeches, and we must make some speeches on our side; but I expect the debate to be limited to about ten days, and then the bill will be passed under a special rule, with Speaker Reed in the chair with his gavel in hand. That is an epitome of the situation, and you will find it to be correct. Immediately after the bill is passed by the Senate it will be engrossed and taken to the Senate; and God only knows what will happen there, because the Senate is a body composed of peculiar people."

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JONAS LONG'S SONS' WEEKLY CHATS.

WILKES-BARRE, PA.,

December 17, 1896

Let us remind our readers, that the time for purchasing your gifts for the glad season is now, and the place to buy them is here, providing always, you want the most useful things at the very lowest prices. The big store is fairly packed with the good things that help make Christmas a day of happiness. We wish we could tell you more about them, a suggestion is all our space permits. The first suggestion is our beautiful line of silk web, fancy frilled garters, with buckle and bow trimmings, in any shade your fancy dictates, seven distinct qualities to select from at 19c, 25c, 30c, 59c, 75c, 85c, and $1.25. Satin Belt Hose Supporters, 25c. Fancy Frilled Side Garters, 25c.

Real Tortoise Shell Side-combs 35c, 49c, 69c and 98c. Sterling Silver trimmed Side-combs, 35c.

Chatelaine Bags, the latest novelty, colors to match costume, from the plain leather to fine seal leather and allegator, 19c to $1.49. Mens' New Solid Shank, Link Cuff-buttons, plain or stone setting on one side, warranted for 20 years at 75c.

Men's Satin Suspenders, kid ends, gilt trimmings, in white, navy baby blue and black, with white edging, in a neat box, for 98c.

Men's Silk Watch Fobs with heavd rolled gold buckle and hook warranted 20 years, at $1.00.

Men's Imperial Scarfs, specially made for gifts, in all the delicate shades and newest patterns—the price don't denote their quality—they are rich—50c.

German Silver Match Boxes, begin at 89c. Sterling Silver Gold Lined Match Boxes begin at $1.49.

Sterling Silver Mustache Combs $1.49.

Silver Mounted Tortoise Mustache Combs, 69c.

Men's Velvet Slippers, Chenille Embroidered Patent Leather Quarters, 74c.

Picture Albums, bound on one side with fancy Celluoid, Plush or Leather on reverse side, 69, 98c $1.25, $1.89, $2.49, $2.69 and $2. 98,

Brush, Comb and Mirror Sets in Celluoid Case, 89c, 98c, $1.69, $2.98 up to $5.48.

Our line of Rocking Chairs embrace 27 different styles to select from, the very lowest in price shows evidence of careful design and workmanship, Oak and Mahogany Rockers with upholstered seats, begin at $1.69.

Handsomely Carved Mahogany Finished Rockers with saddle seats are $2.69 and $2 98.

Rich Hand Polished Hard-wood Rockers with cobbler seats begin at $2.48.

Furs for the children, pretty Angora sets including Muff and Collar, $1.48.

Thibet sets, Muff and Collar $2.98.

You want Ribbons for a thousand uses at this season, our recent arrival is a line of rich Gross Grain Ribbon, usually sold as 5 inch, actually measures 4½ inches, in pink, white, blue, apple, olive lavender, corn and black, you can buy it reasonable enough for any purpose, the yard 23c, same 3½ inch 19c, same 2¾ inch 15c, same 1 inch 6 cents.

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Lutheran Church services last Sabbath were in the interest of the Y. M. C. A. of this town.

The pastor of the Lutheran Church spoke in the Evangelical Church owing to the failure of one of the speakers to appear.

Dr. Johns of Hazleton spoke in the Lutheran Church in the morning and Mr. Lawmaster of Danville in the evening to full houses. The services were impressive, it is to be hoped much good will result to the association, to the churches and to the town.

There will be regular preaching services in the Lutheran Church next Sabbath morning and evening by the pastor. Sermons upon themes suitable to this season.

The repairs upon the church which prevented the congregation occupying the main audience room last Sabbath have been completed and there is no doubt that it is stronger and better than ever, so that we are prepared to worship with nothing to hinder.

The last of the year is a good time to square up accounts. And a good place to begin is at the newspaper office where you have been getting a paper for one or two, or five or more years without paying for it.

This office will be open every day except Sundays and Christmas, and we shall be very glad to receive calls. Though quite busy, we have plenty of time to write receipts.

Mr. Isaac McCollum died on Monday at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. A. Watson. A wife, three daughters, and a son survive. Funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Watson on Wednesday morning at nine o'clock. Interment at Derry, Montour County.

Art Calendars for 1897 Free.

The publishers of "The Philadelphia Press" announce that they will give free to every reader of "The Sunday Press" art calendars for 1897, worth easily $1.00. The calendars will be in four parts, one of which will be given free with "The Sunday Press" on each of the next four Sundays—December 20, December 27, January 3 and January 10. The first part will he supplied with a silken cord, which will serve to fasten all the parts together. Each part is a work of art which will beautify any room. The supply of these calendars is limited, so that all who want them had better order "The Sunday Press" in advance.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as an adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. ¼ the price of coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers. 12-17-4td.

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Maceo Killed.

The great Cuban leader, General Antonio Maceo, is reported to have been assassinated. He was invited to a parley with the acting Spanish Captain General, and accepted. It was proposed to him that peace be made, Cuba buying her independence. When he reached the rendezvous he found himself surrounded by Spanish soldiers. Being ordered to surrender, he refused defiantly and was shot down, the Spanish Major Cirejeda acting the part of assassin, with Dr. Maximo Zertucha as assistant in the horrible drama. Convinced that notwithstanding his great army, he could do nothing against the great Cuban leader, who has repeatedly defeated the Spanish generals in Pinar del Rio Weyler conceived the idea of appeasing his beastly instincts by cold blooded murder, and making the best of the secret relations between Dr. Zertucha and the Marquis of Ahumada, he planned with the latter his fiendish scheme.

There are many reports as to how Maceo came to his death, but the above seems to be about as correct as any.

Try the COLUMBIAN a year.

FROM NOW TILL CHRISTMAS

—o—

It's only a few days but each one of them is worth any two days of ordinary merchandising.

The host of fancy articles in china, lamps, cut glass, handkerchiefs, must be sold. We do not want to, and will not carry any over.

Crowds visit this store every day. There is a reason for it. There is reason in it. If you will make this store the base of your holiday supplies you will see how satisfied you will be.

IS IT HANDKERCHIEFS?

No stock could be in better shape to fit your every desire. Watch the people at the counters, watch them buy, watch the selling—it must be right.

Ladies' hemstitched linen handkerchiefs, 15c. or 2-4-25c.
Fancy edged, fancy figures, and open work edge. 15c. or 2-4-25c.
Ladies' linen, fancy handkerchief, best value ever offered, 25c. each.
Ladies' linen handkerchief, fancy and plain, point lace, and hand made lace, 40, 52, 75c., $1.00 to $3.00 ea.

FANCY CHINA AND CUT GLASS.

Don't want a piece left over. See how very interesting these lots look in print. More interesting when you see them.

After dinner coffee and chocolate cups, 25c. and 50c. ea.
Bread and butter plates in Austin and Limoge china, $1.50, $2 50, and $4.00. the doz.
Chop dishes, $1.40, $1.75, $2.50 and $3.00 each.
Elegant line of celery boats in china and cut glass, 75c. to $4 00.
Chocolate pots, fancy plates, bon bon dishes, asparagus dishes, ice cream sets, claret glasses, vinegar cruits, etc., etc.

LAMPS.

Our assortment of lamps this year is the finest to be seen any where around. Any style, any price and any quantity. They were never cheaper or prettier.
A handsome all china banquet lamp three distinct designs, globe included, $4.25
An elegant banquet lamp, onyx stem open work, brass bowl, removable fount, globe included, $5.00
Best bargains in a library lamp, ha no some designs, complete. $3.25

DRESS GOODS.

What would be nicer than an elegant rich dress for a Xmas present. Dress goods were never prettier or lower in price than now. We are surely offering rare bargains in this line. If you want a nice pattern it will pay you to see ours before you buy.

DISHES.

Why not give your wife a nice set of dishes for a Xmas present. Nothing is more acceptable than this. We can give you two open stock patterns to pick from, or a dozen different designs in sets. In fact any thing you want in the dish line.

FUR OPENING.

E. B. Ripsom representing the Ripsom & and Newland Fur Co., of New York will give an opening here in our Fur Department, on Dec. 16th and 17th, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. All are welcome.

Pursel & Harman,

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SHOES

An extra accumulation of ladies' shoes in narrow widths and small sizes has induced us to put on sale several lots at greatly reduced prices. Widths A. B. and C, sizes 2½ to 4. Former price, $2.50 and $3.00, now $1.50.

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In order to facilitate organizing the Bloomsburg branch, the first fifty scholarships will be sold for only $50 each. A scholarship will entitle the holder to graduating courses in the Business, Shorthand, Typewriting, and English departments. Time unlimited. The regular rates for these courses in other schools are from $100 to $200.

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THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1896.

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Notice

On January 1st statements will be enclosed in every COLUMBIAN where the subscriber owes for one year or more.

Statements will be mailed to every person whose name appears on our books as indebted for job printing and advertising, for any amount, large or small.

Those who do not wish to be dunned, can avoid it by paying up.

All persons having accounts against this office or the proprietor, are requested to present their bills by January 1st. 2t.

Christmas will be with us next week. Are you ready?

Some restaurants advertise "good coarse dinners for 25 cents."

Highest prices in cash paid for hides at P. Solleder & Co. Leather Store. 3t*

$1300 can be had on a 1st mortgage by applying to L. S. Wintersteen Esq. 2t*

The Columbia County Agricultural Society held a business meeting on Saturday.

Applications for liquor licenses should be filed in the Prothonotary's office on or before December 24th.

Andrew Cramer fell from a car, at the Bloomsburg Car Co's works on Saturday, breaking three of his ribs.

A regiment of 1,500 men to fight for Cuba, is being raised at Baltimore and Philadelphia.

Theta Castle K. G. E. of this town will go to Benton to-night and confer degrees on a number of new members at that place.

While working in the Pennsylvania railroad shops at Sunbury last week, Elmer Kniss was caught in a belt and instantly killed.

The large and handsome display of dishes in the Bloomsburg Store Co's window is attracting the attention of all passersby.

McFadden's Reception, was played to a small audience at the Opera House Thursday night. The performance as a whole was below the average.

The Agricultural Society on Saturday decided not to pay any premiums until after their regular annual meeting, which will be held in January.

Mr. S. M. Bard of Harrisburg, addressed the men's meeting in Y. M. C. A. Hall, last Sunday afternoon, at 2.30.

The suit of Ash Bros. against the Berwick Water Co. was tried in Wilkes-Barre this week. It was removed there from this county.

While robbing pillars at the Girard Colliery, at Shamokin on Thursday, last week, William Williams, aged fifty-two years, was caught in a rush of coal and instantly killed.

Bills are out announcing an entertainment to be given in the Opera House, on the evening of Wednesday December 23, by the Bloomsburg and Danville Athletic Clubs.

The plant of the Williamsport candy company, owned by Gates & Fender, was completely destroyed by fire on Monday. The loss is about $25,000, and is fully covered by insurance. The fire is thought to have had its origin from spontaneous combustion.

Christmas Presents.

P. Solleder & Co. have received a fine lot of Imported night and day singing Canaries, Mocking Birds, parrotts, fancy brass cages &c., at low prices. 2t*

John Redding, aged twenty-eight, of Hazleton, while working on top of a telephone pole was electrocuted at Wilkesbarre, on Friday. He was among the men who were repairing the line in this town recently.

If you want to see a fine line of Holiday goods, call at Hess Bros. store. Their stock is full and complete, and the low prices at which the many beautiful things are selling at will surprise you. You will be the loser, if you make a selection before paying them a visit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Patented Designs.

Gorham's & Whiting's Sterling Silver Toilet Articles.

Hair Brushes in different designs $5.00 and up.
Hat Brushes in different designs $2.00 and up.
Cloth Brushes in different designs $4.00 and up.
Nail Brushes in different designs $2.35 and up.
Whisk Brushes in different designs $2.25 and up.
Combs, in different designs $1.00 and up.

Shoe Buttoners	$ .85 and up.
Glove Buttoners	$ .50 and up.
Scissors	$2.00 and up.
Paper Knives	$ .75 and up.

All articles purchased here will be engraved free of charge.

J. E. ROYS.

To every purchaser of a fifty cent necktie we give a Xmas present of a bottle of PALMER'S CELEBRATED PERFUME. This chance is only to be had at Townsend's, the Gent's Furnisher.

Gross has made up his mind to put prices way down in clothing and what he says he will do.

Xmas gifts in umbrellas—Sterling Silver Mounted Silk Umbrellas at Townsend's. 2t.

Little wagons, rocking horses, sleds, desks, blackboards, cradles, baby carriages, kitchen sets, Noah's Ark, drums, horns, dishes, dogs, horses, engine and cars, fire company trucks, cook stoves, chairs, games, and the most beautiful dolls you ever saw—large and small—Christmas trees. Santa Claus and all at W. H. Gilmore's, Main Street. Prices away down.

If you want good candy for Christmas get some of Whitman's Celebrated Confections at Rishton's Drug Store. 2t.

It is not a theory—an experiment, nor is it a scheme to get your money. No matter what you buy at Townsend's you always get full value for your money at Townsend's the Hatter. 2t.

Preserved cherries and pineapple at I. G. Deitrick's.

Christmas Chances! Christmas Chances!

We are now showing the most beautiful line of Neckwear specially bought for Xmas. With every 50ct. necktie we give a bottle of PALMER'S CELEBRATED PERFUME. Remember this can only be had at Townsend's, the Haberdasher. 2t.

For a few days only, Hess Bros., Jewelers, will sell you a 14k. Solid Gold Filled Watch, guaranteed to wear 25 years, with Elgin or Waltham movement, for only $13 75 cash. This grade of watches generally sells for $17.00 to $18.00. This is a big bargain.

Xmas! Xmas! Xmas!

Come and look at the latest and newest and most elegant line in Town of gloves, silver mounted umbrellas and gent's furnishings at Townsend's the Haberdasher. 2t.

Do not forget that Townsend gives you a bottle of PALMER'S CELEBRATED PERFUME with every fifty cent necktie.

Clothing made to fit and fit to wear. No one can make first class work and fit at prices more reasonable than Maier the artistic tailor, clothier, hatter and furnisher. Endless variety of fabrics and designs of fine cloths and cassimeres to select from. 2t.

All the new games at Slate's. 2t

W. S. Rishton has 22 differant kinds of fancy atomizers to select from. Prices 50c. to $300. 2t.

A chance to get a dollar fancy case, book or album for 75c., or a $4.00 one for $3.00 at Hess Bros.' store, Saturday, Dec. 19, 1896 only.

Go early and get your Christmas candy and fruit at H. M. Hockman's and avoid the great rush on Christmas Eve.

Fruits and Nuts of all kinds at I. G. Deitrick's

We cannot guarantee to frame pictures for Xmas delivery unless ordered by Saturday, Dec. 19. W. H. Slate.

Special Bargain Day on Saturday at Hess Bros. 25 per cent. discount on all fancy Holiday goods, such as dressing and toilet cases, shaving and manicure sets, necktie, glove, veil, handkerchief, cuff and collar boxes, albums and books. For one day only, Saturday, December 19.

Pillow-Dex is the latest game out. Slate has it—25 and 50cts. 2t.

I can prove that I have the largest and cheapest line of fine leather goods in Bloomsburg. Come and see them. W. S. Rishton, Druggist. 2t.

You can always get just what you want in the way of meat by calling at Lyons' Meat Market, and the price is always right. Try him. Main Street, above Iron.

Ready trimmed hats for ladies and Misses reduced in prices at E. Barkley's. Call and get bargains. Main below Market Street.

Full line of Excelsior Diaries, all prices, at W. H. Slate's.

The Bloomsburg Store Co. are offering their entire line of Bed and Horse Blankets at cost prices to close.

If you want a bargain go to Gross—at way down prices. No sham there.

The best treat of all is our fine chocolates at 25 cents a pound for Christmas at I. G. Deitrick's.

Books of all kinds at Mercer's suitable for Xmas presents. All prices.

Ho! for Christmas candy. We are leaders, the finest assortment ever seen in town, come and see us. We are sure to please you. I. G. Deitrick.

Don't be fooled by sham sales, but go to Gross and get good goods at low prices.

Every nook and corner of W. H. Gilmore's store room is filled with nice things for the little ones. Dolls of every kind. Prices the lowest.

You know Gross can be relied upon. He is selling goods at the lowest price possible, and to give satisfaction.

Picture frames and Plush Goods at almost your own prices at Mercer's.

Come and see the big line of Christmas candy at I. G. Deitrick's Market Square.

The largest assortment of suits and overcoats can be found at Gross's at way down prices.

AT MERCER'S

You will find everything, anything your heart can wish for in the way of nice Christmas Gifts. The store is jammed full of the finest things that the master minds of the leading manufacturers and dealers ever produced. Come in and see for yourself. Main St. above Iron.

Children's suits 75 cents and up at Gross's.

To the people of Bloomsburg! Do not buy impure city candy for your children and impair their health when you can buy candy of H. M. Hockman's own make out of pure sugar.

L. E. Whary's China Bazaar is jammed full of fine china dishes, for the Holiday trade, and more constantly coming in. It is hard to describe the beauty of their stock, it requires a personal visit. We would not attempt to tell you of the great variety of fine Cut Glass, English Porcelain, and the hundreds of beautiful things that adorn their shelves.

Buy your Christmas ties of Gross; 50 cent ties for 25 cents.

It is wonderful how H. M. Hockman sells such good candy and so cheap. Why it is because he manufactures them.

Townsend's Xmas Souvenirs.

Come and see the newest styles for Xmas gifts in neckwear, gloves, shirts, night robes, hosiery, collars, cuffs and all kinds of gent's furnishings, up to date in style and down to date prices.

YOU ARE INVITED TO CALL AT

RISHTON'S DRUG STORE

.....any day from 7 a. m. to 10 p. m. and inspect his.....
.....immense line of beautiful.....

....CHRISTMAS GIFTS....

WE MENTION A FEW FOR EXAMPLE, BUT "THERE ARE OTHERS":

LEATHER GOODS of all kinds and descriptions.
PERFUMERY—The most beautiful stock in town.
HAND PAINTED NOVELTIES—Entirely new, novel and cheap.
CUT GLASS—A large and beautiful stock.
WHITMAN'S WORLD-FAMED Chocolates and Bon Bons.

W. S. RISHTON,

Opposite P. O. DRUCCIST.

The Same... Old Sarsaparilla.

That's Ayer's. The same old sarsaparilla as it was made and sold by Dr. J. C. Ayer ***50 years ago.*** In the laboratory it is different. There modern appliances lend speed to skill and experience. But the sarsaparilla is the same old sarsaparilla that made the record—***50 years of cures.*** Why don't we better it? Well, we're much in the condition of the Bishop and the raspberry: "Doubtless," he said, "God might have made a better berry. But doubtless, also, He never did." Why don't we better the sarsaparilla? We can't. We are using the ***same old plant*** that cured the Indians and the Spaniards. ***It*** has not been bettered. And since ***we*** make sarsaparilla compound out of sarsaparilla plant, we see no way of improvement. Of course, if we were making some secret chemical compound we might.... But we're not. We're making the same old sarsaparilla to cure the same old diseases. You can tell it's the ***same old sarsaparilla*** because it works the ***same old cures.*** It's the sovereign blood purifier, and—***it's Ayers.***

The Bloomsburg Store Co.

invite you in to see the largest line of underwear and gloves in the town. Men's shirt and drawers 50c. suit.

Ladies vest, good value 25c.

Men's and boy's caps all styles.

Just received a line of ladies sateen shirts.

A large assortment of ladies over gaiters and children's and misses leggins.

Dress goods going lively, are receiving something new every day.

Just received a large invoice of blankets and comfortables prices surprisingly low.

Our decorated dinner sets are beauties, prices away down.

12 piece toilet sets $5.00 handsomely decorated.

Best blue print 5c. yard.

Large assortment of fancy plaids suitable for school dresses. 5c. yard.

Our grocery department is always stocked with the finest and freshest goods in the market. All kinds of country produce taken in exchange for goods.

FOR RENT. The west half of a double house on East Third street, Bloomsburg. Possession given on December 1st. All modern conveniences. Rent reasonable. Apply to J. W. Conner, Orangeville, or D. W. Campbell, Bloomsburg. 11-19-tf.

Call at Lyons Meat Market for nice fresh sausage and all kinds of nice fresh meat, Main St., above Iron.

If you are looking for fine chinaware of any kind you will do well to call at L. E. Whary's China Bazaar, Main Street, below Market. There you will find the finest and largest line in the city.

If you want a suit or overcoat for man or boy and want to save money go to Gross, Bloomsburg.

If you are thinking of purchasing a lamp for Christmas, just call on Mercer. It is impossible to describe the beauty of our famous gold plated Miller Lamps, Onyx stand and everything complete to make the parlor beautiful. Mercer, Main St. above Iron.

You can certainly get all the toys you want at W. H. Gilmore's. Every thing you can think of is there. Call in and look at his stock.

Buy your father or brother a hat for Christmas way down prices at Gross's.

Every body knows the reputation of the Miller Lamp. Mercer has them in endless variety. Hall Lamps, Parlor Lamps, Banquet Lamps, and all kinds of Lamps.

We have a big drive on a suberb mixture 15 cents a pound or 2 pounds for 25 cents at Deitrick's, Market Square.

L. E. Whary calls especial attention to their fine line of English Porcelain Dinner sets. They have them in endless variety and the prices are very low, considering the material.

Men's all wool suits $3.25 to $5.00 at Gross's.

Mercer carries the finest line of Seeley Perfume in the city, nicely arranged in handsome boxes and fine Cut Glass Bottles.

CLARKS'

HOLIDAY PRESENTS FOR EVERYBODY.

GOODS THE PEOPLE WANT. PRICES THE PEOPLE LIKE

Holiday Dress Patterns.
We have a fine line of dress patterns from 50c. pattern up to $12.00. A pattern suitable for gifts.
Holiday Waist Silks.
A handsome line of silks for waists. They make useful gifts.
Feather and Fur Boas.
A full line of these for gift giving, 25c. and upwards.
Skirts.
A complete line of skirts in sateen, flannel, moreen, wool, cotton, from 49c. up. Useful gifts.
Handkerchiefs for Christmas.
Almost any handkerchief that you may desire. You can depend on this stock for—
Hemstitched all linen, 12½, 15, 17, 22c. up.
Hemstitched embroidered, 10c. Value 15c.
Special lot of Swiss embroidered handkerchiefs, 3 for 25c.
Linens.
Complete lines. 72 in. bleached table linens, 70c, yd. 72 in. bleached table linens, $1.00 yd. 72 in bleached table linens, $1.25 yd.
All linen open work towels, 50, 65 and 75c.
8 x 10 table cloth bleached linen $2.00, $2.50, $3.00.
All linen tray cloths, hemmed, 17c.
Napkins, $1.00, $1.25, $1.75, $2.50, $3.50, $4.00 doz.
Table Covers—full line.
Mackintoshes for Ladies.
These make a useful gift. None but reliable goods find room in our stock. Prices from $5.00 to $10.50.
Framed Pictures.
We show a large line of these beautiful goods for Christmas gift giving. It will pay to see our line.
Holiday Kid Gloves.
These goods make acceptable gifts. Our lines are complete.
Umbrellas.
We are showing a handsome line of umbrellas for Christmas presents. New handles, close rolling, price to suit all from 60c. upwards.
Christmas Coats.
These make useful gifts, and we have lowered the prices greatly in your favor.
Melton coats, box front, now $6.75. Wool boucle coats, nobby, now $5.50.
Dress Skirts.
Full line for gift giving, choice materials, nicely made. See our skirts at $5.00.
Jewelry and Silverware.
We show full lines of these goods suitable for Christmas gifts. Children's sets, knife, fork and spoon, $1.00.
Cut Glass.
At reduced prices to close.
Colgate's Fine Extracts.
We show a full line of Colgate's fine perfumes in all the leading odors, in plain and fancy packages.
Stockinett leggins for ladies' and children.
Sewing machines, $19.00.
ice wool squares, 23c. up.
Ribbons and laces, full lines.
Fine lamps, Silk and wool mufflers, Neckwear, all kinds.
Eiderdowns for dressing sacques.
Lace, chenille and derby curtains for useful gifts.
Leather Goods.
Pocket books, music rolls, traveling bags, dress suit cases, coin bags, &c.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

HOLIDAY GOODS.—They are here in the fullest sense of the term.

Goods that will make you twice happy; happy to get at the prices, happy to be able to give so good at so little expense. Useful articles of Dress Silks, Dress Goods, Gloves, Hosiery, &c., with dainty articles for the Toilet, Perfumes, Manicure Sets, Mirrors, and a thousand things to fit the season at prices that will spare yo ur purse. A few names and prices given below:

CHINA.
Cups and saucers, 5, 10, 15, 19 to 75 cents.
Cup, saucer and plate, 25 to 75c.
Plates, 75c., $1.00 to $3.00 doz.
Dessert dishes, 75c. to $3.00 doz.
Large dishes, 19, 25, 39, 50c. to $3.00.
Sugar and cream sets, 25c. to $1.75 set.
Cracker jars, 25, 39, 50c. to $2.50.
Tea pots, 25c, to $2.25.
Chocolate pots, 25c. to $2.50.
Tea caddies, syrup cups, bon bon dishes, vases, &c.

DOLLS.
Dressed dolls, 10 to 95c.
Undressed dolls, 5 to 25c.
Children's carpet sweepers, 25c.

FANCY GOODS.
Atomizers, 25c. to $1.50.
Salt and pepper sets, 25 to 50c.
Paper weight, 10 to 50c.
Jewel cases, 25c. to $1 50.
Bon bon boxes, 25c. to $2.25.
Thermometers, 10 to 50c.
Jap. metal trays, 19c., 25c.
Cuffs and collar boxes, 50c. to $3.50.
Shaving sets, $1.00 to $5.00.
Neck tie boxes, 39c. to $3 50.
Handkerchief and glove boxes, 39c. to $3.50
Manicure sets, 50c. to $3.00.
Work boxes, 50c. to $2.50.
Toilet boxes, 75c. to $5.00.
Whisk holders, 25c. to $2.00.
Albums, 59c., 79c., 95c. to $5.00.
Children's books, 5c. to $1.00.
Pen wipers, 25c.—something new.
Ink stands, 5c. to $2.00.
Cologne, 5 to 50c.
Mirrors, clocks, pen trays, blotters, triple mirrors, calendars, fans, shoe horns, shoe buttons, picture frames, framed pictures, smoking sets, cuspidors, purses, pocket books, games, blocks.

See Our Big Doll in the Window.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

Have You Thought of It? .....

Less Than Three Weeks Till

CHRISTMAS!

An impression that we are headquarters for everything in the line of elegant and useful holiday gifts is always produced by a glance over our stock.

What to Get?

No need to perplex your head about that. Let us solve the difficulty. Our store contains a thousand suggestions in

DIAMONDS, JEWELRY,
SILVERWARE, CLOCKS,
ROYAL TEPLITZ ART CROCKERY,
BLUE DELFT CHINA, FANCY GOODS, &c.

They are at your service. No more worry or perplexity.

Come this Week and see our grand

CHRISTMAS DISPLAY—CHRISTMAS STORE,
and CHRISTMAS WINDOWS, at

HESS BROTHERS

Jewelers, Opticians and Stationers. Bloomsburg, Pa.

TELEPHONE.

CANDY, FRUIT AND NUTS FOR CHRISTMAS.

The finest assortment of candy to be found is here, prices from 10c. to 60c. lb., all fresh and pure.

ORANGES, BANANAS AND GRAPES.
——All Kinds of Nuts.——

It will be to your advantage to call before purchasing.

I. G. DEITRICK,

TELEPHONE CONNECTION. MARKET SQUARE

HAVE YOU NOTICED IT.

The Robin is Learning to Walk—He No Longer Hops.

Of course you all know the robin. Whether you live in city or country, he is the only bird, except perhaps the intruding house sparrow, that is sure to come into your yard, if you have one, or into the nearest park or garden. If you have but a square rod of lawn, he is almost certain to find it out sooner or later and to visit it in search of earthworms. Often enough you have seen him there, and have bidden him help himself to the worms and welcome.

But as you watched him gliding over the lawn, I wonder if you have noticed that the fine fellow has a thought beyond his hunting, and that, even while he works, he is endeavoring to perfect himself in a new accomplishment? Perhaps you have not thought of it, yet it really seems to be so. The red-breast is learning to walk!

For generations unnumbered his ancestors have taught that hopping is the proper and dignified gait for a bird, and even now his first cousins, the wood thrush and the veery and the hermit thrush, are uncompromising hoppers. But Sir Robin, having left the ancestral halls—that is to say, the woodlands; having taken it upon himself to be the progressive member of a very conservative family; having come into the gardens and orchards where worms are most abundant; having laid aside the traditional russet garb of the renowned thrush family and donned a trim business suit in keeping with his character, is quite ready to accept any other change, either of costume or of custom, that seems likely to redound to his advantage.

One morning, when I had gone to the park for a stroll, there suddenly flitted before me a robin whose whole manner and bearing seemed to say, "Watch me!" He alighted on the ground just ahead, gave his wings and tail a flirt, and, seeing that my eyes were upon him, he started forward and actually ran perhaps thirty steps without a suspicion of a hop. Then he looked up at me with an expression that seemed to say, "Thought we couldn't do it, did you? Well, what do you think now?" and took another run longer than the first.

I applauded the feat as it deserved, and assured the fine fellow that his feat should be heralded to the world. I feel bound to add that even this advanced student of the art of walking paid very little attention to worms while he was making his feet work independently. He certainly walked far better than I had supposed it possible for any robin to do, and his accomplishment justifies the prediction that the time is not very distant when every robin will do a "square heel and toe" without difficulty.

If this statement sounds improbable, go for a walk and watch Master Robin yourself; but it would be folly to predict how long it may be before his old-school cousins, the wood thrush, the veery and others, will even attempt to follow his example. — Our Animal Friends.

Canonization of Santa Zita.

Santa Zita, who resided for the greater portion of her life in Genoa, Italy, has been canonized. She was a very pious churchwoman, but always very domesticated. She remained longer than usual at church one day, and quite forgot that there were to be a number of people at the house that day for dinner. On awakening she hurried forth from the sacred edifice in a way which was far indeed from her wont, but, on reaching the kitchen, what was her surprise and delight to find a party of cherub celestials busy preparing the meal. She did not interfere, but was at first not unwilling to accept the praise which was lavished on her culinary success. She soon repented, however, and told the world the truth about the spiritual and miraculous help she had received, and it was agreed on all sides that she deserved to be canonized. Accordingly she became Santa Zita.

A German Peasant Poetess.

Johanna Ambrosius, the German peasant poet, whose works have been compared to all that is classic in German literature, says a writer in the Philadelphia Press, was the second child of a workingman, and, as her mother was an invalid, Johanna and her sister, while yet mere children, were compelled to do all the housework for the family. At twenty she became the wife of a young peasant named Voight, and a son and a daughter were born to her. In the midst of all this, and while absolutely deprived of all literary aids, she persevered in her writing, till her poetry demanded the attention of the finest minds of Germany. Now that opportunity is given her in which to enjoy Lessing, Schiller and Goethe, she speaks of the long, profitless period of her womanhood as "those twelve dumb years."

In Gorgeous Headgear.

It seems to me that the hat must become part of every horse's wardrobe, judging by the effects the recently tropical weather had upon these poor creatures. Numberless cases of sudden illness, which was bad both for the animals themselves and for the people who were riding or driving them, were brought to light last week. Some horses were actually seen in the park wearing hats which were of a Salvation Army bonnet type of pattern. One of the humorous papers suggested that this new fashion would result in unheard-of extravagances in flowers and ostrich plumes, and that horses would soon take such an interest in their own headgear that they would insist upon stopping to look in at all the more fascinating milliners' windows.—London Lady.

Princess Maud Carves Meerschaum.

Princess Maud is entitled to consideration from the point of view of the great tobacco trade, according to report, because she is an expert carver in meerschaum. In the German language, which all the members of her house speak so well, she would be called a Brenstindreehslerin. Her cousin, the German Emperor, has a very fine pipe on which was carved by the Princess the figure of a warrior. To her husband she gave a meerschaum with a Danish sailor engraved upon the bowl.

One Day's Experience.

It was on an electric car, bound from Harvard square to Boston. He was a susceptible Harvard student, she as pretty a girl as you could wish to see. He wore an immaculate white scarf and was arrayed like a lily of the field. She had brown eyes that extended back to her soul, and she knew how to use them. She left the car at the central gate of the Common, and he sighed and watched her through the car window until she was out of sight.

An hour later he was strolling through West street viewing the shoppers with a critical eye. Suddenly, from the mysterious interior of a dry goods store, a bundle in her hand, her cheeks flushed with the ardor of the chase, she came forth fairer than before, and underneath the immaculate scarf he felt a joyous commotion.

At 1 o'clock he was at the Adams House, and, as in duty bound, made a cursory examination of the ladies' dining room. He had inspected scarcely half the tables when his heart stopped and his eye was rivited. Just underneath a mirror she sat, divested of her wraps and nothing short of ravishing.

"It is fate," said he, and stared at her until there was danger of the head waiter calling the police.

At 4 o'clock he was hurrying up Tremont street in the overture of a threatening rainstorm, bound for Park square. In front of the Tremont theatre he thought of his immaculate scarf and fine raiment and sought shelter in a doorway.

Another moment and the world around him grew misty. She stood beside him, her skirts in hand and despair in her face, without mackintosh to shield her from the rain.

He glanced at her a moment, rolled up his twelve dollar trousers and departed on a run. A few doors down the street was a furnishing store. He dashed into it.

"Give me an umbrella, quick," he said.

"Here is one," said the clerk; "$4.50, genuine natural wood and"—

"Hang the wood," said he.

He dived into his pocket. A two dollar bill, two ones and forty-five cents in change.

"Call it $4.45. It's all I've got."

"All right," said the clerk.

He threw down the money and rushed back to the doorway.

She was gone.

Then he raised his umbrella and started to walk to Cambridge.—Boston *Herald*.

The Game They Played.

"Saw a funny thing on a train out of New York not long ago," said the drummer, fixing himself comfortably for story telling.

"What was it?" asked a Cleveland man.

"A couple of card sharps sat across the aisle from me and time hung heavily on their hands, for there wasn't a man aboard they could work, and they were disconsolate. After awhile they began to play with each other, but they quit pretty soon and relapsed into their former condition of discouragement. They saw that I had been watching them, and after a few minutes I called across and asked why they didn't keep on with their game.

"'It ain't no good,' said the one next the aisle gruffly."

"'Why not?' I inquired. 'You're both good players.'"

"'That's it, pardner,' he explained with a short laugh; 'both of us hold the same hands every deal.'"—Detroit *Free Press*.

Here is a diamond, here a piece of charcoal. Both carbon; yet between them stands the mightiest of magicians—Nature. The food on your table, and your own body; elementally the same; yet between the two stands the digestion, the arbiter of growth or decline, life or death.

We cannot make a diamond; we cannot make flesh, blood and bone. No. But by means of the Shaker Digestive Cordial we can enable the stomach to digest food which would otherwise fermend and poison the system. In all forms of dyspepsia and incipient consumption, with weakness, loss of flesh, thin blood, nervous prostration the Cordial is the successful remedy. Taken with food it relieves at once. It nourishes, and assists nature to nourish. A trial bottle—enough to show its merit—10 cents.

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The champion hunter and trapper of central Pennsylvania is John P. Swoope, of Alexandria, Huntingdon county, who devotes his entire time to the exciting sport. And well he may, for if reports are true, he makes quite a nice thing out of it at the county's expense, as for instance: During the ten and one half months of the present year of noxious animals alone Mr. Swoope has killed 939 foxes, 13 wildcats and 1,290 minks, on which he received a bounty of $1,087.50.

Why Trade Doesn't Boom.

Some disappointment is expressed in trade circles that the activity which followed quick on the heels of the election has not been maintained, and the disappointed are asking why the good times promised as a result of McKinley's election have not been realized. Both the disappointment and the inquiry are based upon a partial view of the business situation and fail to convince those with a comprehensive grasp of the facts that there is any real cause for disappointment.

When the election was held, the fall wholesale and jobbing season was already over. The retailers throughout the country had already purchased the stocks, meagre though they were, they thought were actually necessary. They are not likely to purchase heavily until they lay in stock for the spring trade. The disappointed jobbers and wholesalers are those who have not taken into account the fact that when one season of usual activity in trade is past, general activity cannot be expected until the next trade season is reached. The election fell between two of these seasons.

There has been a general revival of production, however, and many long idle manufactories are now running full time to produce the goods that will be wanted for the spring trade. Those who are complaining of dull trade in their own particular staples have lost sight of the fact that between the manufactory and the consumer a considerable period must elapse at the best and that factories may be busier than ever before and goods still move slowly in jobbers' hands. The resumption of the factories, however, gives the workingmen money to purchase with and benefits the local retail trade. With the advent of the spring demand the goods now being turned out in the factories will begin to move to their final destination for distribution to the consumers.

The goods will be wanted and the consumers will have money to pay for them. This has been a year of bountiful crops and of good prices, and the money which has been paid and is still to be paid for the country's wheat, cotton, corn and other agricultural staples is certain to find its way into the avenues of trade and quicken business into healthy activity in the near future. Those who are complaining of dull business have expected too much and made too little allowance for the time required for goods to reach consumers and realize returns in money to pay for the manufacture and distribution of more goods.

The disappointed should make due allowance for the season and the time necessary for goods to pass from factory, and cultivate the grace of patience. The farmer who plants his corn doesn't dig it up the next day to see if it has begun to grow. He waits till it does grow. Trade is in some degree a process of planting and waiting, and experienced tradesmen will do the necessary waiting in patience and with good humor.—*Phila. Times*.

William Henry Ott, *alias* "Mustang Bill," says that he used Ayer's Hair Vigor for nearly five years, and owes to it his splendid hair, of which he is justly proud. Mr. Ott has ridden the plains for twenty-five years, and is well known in Wyoming and the Northwest.

The True Moral Standard.

The moral motive arises not by contemplation of the gratification given by a certain line of conduct to God or by recollection of superimposed pleasures, secular or supernatural, present or future, or by any reference to the social habits or conventions with which the said line of conduct may or may not accord. Such moral motive has nothing to do with obedience to the revealed will of God, or with the extraneous conceptions of heaven and hell, or with punishment or reward from earthly rulers, or with the favor or disfavor of public opinion. It arises from the vived ideal representation of the relation between action and life. The compulsion of morality therefore is inner and not outer compulsion, its authority inner and not outer authority, its restraints those arising from the connection of cause and effect, its sanctions natural, not supernatural, essential and not fortuitous. The foundations of the moral code thus belong to the very nature of sentient life itself, and its dictates therefore possess a validity, a reach, a significance, a sacredness, to which no others can conceivably lay claim.

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Rye " "	.50
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Turnips " "	.25
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Sweet potatoes per peck	.20
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Shoulder " "	.10
Side meat " "	.10
Vinegar, per qt	.07
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Dried cherries, pitted	.10
Raspberries	.12
Cow Hides per lb	.3½
Steer " " "	.05
Calf Skin	.80
Sheep pelts	.75
Shelled corn per bus	.50
Corn meal, cwt	1.50
Bran, "	.90
Chop "	1.00
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Manager Hanlon is willing to sell Joe Quinn, who cost him nothing for $1000.

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It is not an assured fact that Preston will next year be Chicago's utility man. There may be such a thing as his playing next year with St. Paul though being farmed to that club. The spring showing will determine.

Last season trouble broke out between the Irish and German elements in the Pittsburg team. The Germans are going.

Pat Tebean says that the spiders will not train at Hot Springs in the spring. The poker game is too swift.

Pitcher Harley Parker has hung out his shingle as a practicing physician in Chicago.

Who will be the National League's inspector of umpires?

It is proposed to organize a Lehigh Valley League next season. Cities and towns from Easton to Mauch Chunk are to be represented.

Pitcher Hemming and catcher Con Daily have become bowlers, and have joined a Brooklyn club.

The Chicagoes will train at Galveston, Texas. The California trip has been abandoned.

Indoor base ball has died a natural death at Buffalo.

It is said that Stenzel's contract with Baltimore calls for $200 more than his last season's Pittsburg contract.

Sechrist and Nye, a well known Philadelphia battery, will be with Richmond next season.

There is trouble brewing at Cincinnati. The "Times-Star," hitherto a staunch defender of the club and all pertaining thereto, has come out flat footed against Bancroft and Ewing and declares that so long as these two direct the team Cincinnati will never be a championship possibility. It also cites several Cincinnati players as authority for the statement that the two are detested by all the players.

The Patterson Club has signed pitcher Dean Collins, of Pittsburg.

Rheumatism is caused by lactic acid in the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla neutralizes the acid and cures rheumatism.

Mines Run Under Arms.

Determination to Drive Foreigners Forever From Forest Collieries.

Detectives and deputy sheriffs, armed with Winchesters, were on guard on Monday at the Forest Coal Company's property near Scranton, and under their protection the company was enabled to work its mine with about one-half force.

The strikers took to the woods after the arrest of five or more of their fellows the same morning, but they were in an ugly mood, and made many terrible threats. Their women at the boarding house declare the company will suffer the loss of property for turning the strikers out.

Superintendent Jones said that he would not be content until every one of the foreigners was driven forever from the works, designating them as a treacherous, ugly crowd.

The company will continue working its mine under the sheriff's guard until complete safety is assured.

Big Coal War.

The Wilkes-Barre *News Dealer* says: "There is war on the coal trade, and there will be hot times in coal producing circles for some time to come. Coxe Brothers have cut the price of coal 50 cents per ton at tide water. They have also issued orders to work all their collieries 11 hours a day for a month. Five hundred new coal cars, with a carrying capacity of 30 tons each, have been ordered for prompt delivery. They are earnest and they will force the coal trust to terms. The claim of the Coxes is that they have been unjustly discriminated against in the allotment of tonnage. They own their own railroad at the mines, and rolling stock, and have a trackage contract with the Lehigh Valley to tidewater. They have a three years supply of coal uncovered at the mines, and the fight will be a merry one. The coal trust had better come to terms soon, or they will suffer."

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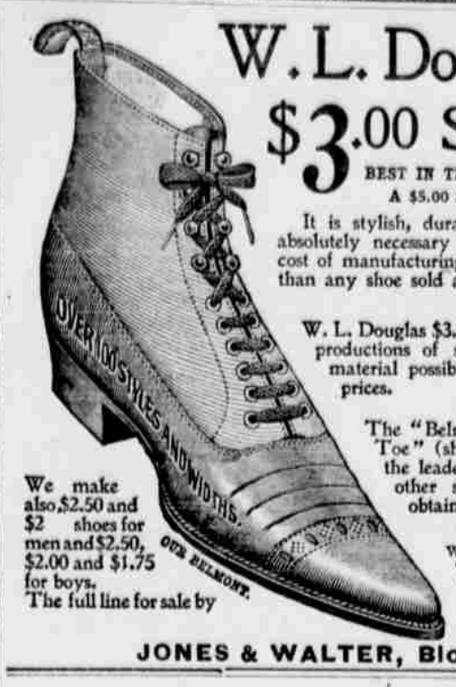

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Pittsburg has produced the first practicable chainless bicycle. For years inventors have been trying to solve the problem of the troublesome chain, with its lost motion. Charles S. McIntire, of Allegheny, is the inventor. The company controlling the invention has on exhibition the various wheels that have been constructed in an attempt to get a chainless wheel. The original is a clumsy affair, weighing over forty pounds. The present machine will weigh no more than other bikes.

The mechanism consists of two steel driving rods connected with the driving apparatus, which is encased in a small box. Inside is an endless roller belt which acts on a ball-bearing principle, passing over two wheels which correspond somewhat in size to the sprocket wheels of a chain bike. The box is filled with lubricant, the moving parts thus being constantly oiled. No dust can reach any part of the driving apparatus. The driving rods give direct motion, no loose chains giving trouble. The propulsion is not on one side, but is equal on both. No motion can be lost. The device is entirely simple. There is really nothing to get out of order.

The chainless bicycle can be stopped almost instantly by back pedaling. Perfect control of the wheel rests in the feet of the rider. As a hill climber it is a sure winner.

There are others who believe in the wheel's practicability besides its promoters. General Nelson A. Miles regards it very favorably for military usage. It stood a Government test of four hours and the company is now making a model for Government use. The wheel has been run up some of the rockiest hills in Pittsburg with heavy riders and stood the test. In the application of the chainless plan to a tandem, the direct motion is even a greater success. The wheels will be put into the market next March.—Pittsburg *Times*.

Perfection in Cake-Making.

Housekeepers frequently wonder why it is that they cannot make biscuit and cake that are light and palatable and that taste as delicious as the biscuit and cake made by their mothers and grandmothers, the delightful memory of which even to this day creates a sensation of pleasure to the palate. The trouble arises from the highly adulterated state of the materials they have to work with, particularly the cream-of tartar and soda that are now procurable for domestic purposes contain large quantities of lime, earth, alum and other adulterants, frequently from five to twenty-five per cent., and consequently vary so much in strength that no person can tell the exact quantity to use, or properly combine them, to insure perfect results. From using too much or too little, or because of the adulterants in them, bitter, salt, yellow, or heavy biscuits or cakes are frequently made. These adulterants are also injurious to health.

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Workmen opened a limestone quarry at Lock Haven, and found a den of black snakes, some of immense size. Upwards of 100 were killed, while many others escaped into the rocks.

Will Lock Haven Adopt It?

The curfew idea is spreading. Lock Haven is considering the adoption of an ordinance of that kind. The mayor of Allentown seeing the evil effect of boys and girls running on the street late at night, is agitating a reform in that direction, and will have an ordinance embracing the curfew feature, introduced in council at the next meeting. A great number of cities have such an ordinance in successful operations. The New York board of aldermen is considering the ordinance.

The New York and New Jersey bridge Construction Companies have made a contract for the building of a bridge over the Hudson River, at a cost not to exceed $25,000,000.

The latest census gives a foreign born population in the State of Pennsylvania of 845,000, embracing representatives from almost every nation under the sun.

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The serials for 1897 will be: **The Red Bridge Neighborhood** by MARIA LOUISE POOL: and **Father Quinnallion**, by OCTAVE THANET. Short stories will be constantly presented by brilliant writers, among whom are MARY E. WILKINS, HARRIET PRESCOTT SPOFFORD, MARION HARLAND, RUTH MCENERY STUART, VIOLA ROSEBORO, and MARGARET SUTTON BRISCOE.

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Other interesting features are The Outdoor Woman, devoted to healthful sports and pastimes; Music, a weekly critical summary of music in New York; Amateur Theatricals, Embroidery and Needlework, Ceremony and Etiquette, Good Housekeeping, **"What Girls are Doing,"** "Current Social Events," and Personals gleaned from original sources.

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By virtue of a writ of venditioni exponas issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Montour county, and to me directed will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in the borough of Danville, county of Montour and state of Pennsylvania, on

SATURDAY, DEC., 26, 1896,

at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, the following described real estate, viz: A tract of land lying partly in Madison township, Columbia county, and partly in Anthony township, Montour county, Pennsylvania: Beginning at a post in the public road leading from White Hall in Montour county, Penna. to Muncy Hills, thence along land of Mrs. Moore and H. C. Monroe, south forty-six and three-fourth degrees east twenty-one and five-tenth perches to a post to corner of lands of said Monroe, thence along line of said land north forty-six degrees and forty minutes, east eighteen and five tenth perches to a white oak, thence along same lands south fifty-four degrees, east thirty-four perches to a post in line of lands of Glen Crawford thence along said Crawford's lands and land of John Stettler, north eighty-one degrees east one hundred twenty-nine perches to a post in line of land of John Stettler and Wm. Harlin, thence along said Harlin's land and land of John Moser north thirty-nine degrees west one hundred eighty perches to a post in line of the aforesaid public road, thence along said public road south twenty-six and one-half degrees west one hundred thirty-four and ninety-five hundredth perches to a point in th same, thence along the same south twenty-seven degrees west twelve and six-tenth perches thence south forty-four and one-half degrees west eight and two-tenth perches to the place of beginning, containing

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MICHAEL BRECKBILL,
Sheriff's Office, Danville, Pa. Sheriff.
Nov. 27th, 1896.
CHAS. P. GEARHART, Atty. 12-3-3t.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m., all that lot or piece of ground situate in the town of Bloomsburg, county of Columbia and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post on Main or Second street of said town at corner of lot of Mrs. Henrietta Rinker, thence along Second street westwardly a distance of thirty-two feet to a post, thence by other land of Anna M. Lorah, lately lot of Levi Cox, northwardly eighty feet to a post in other lands of Anna M. Lorah; thence along said land forty-one feet to a post in line of lot of Mrs. Henrietta Rinker aforesaid; thence along the line of said Rinker lot southwardly eighty feet to the place of beginning; containing three thousand square feet be the same more or less, whereon is erected a two story and a half double

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE.

ALSO: all that certain lot or piece of ground situate in the town of Bloomsburg, county of Columbia and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a corner of Railroad street and an alley running from Knorr's blacksmith shop to Fishing creek; thence along said alley north seventy-seven degrees east sixty-five feet to corner of lot of Mrs. John Rinker: thence by the same south seventy-six and three-fourth degrees east

feet to lot of Anna M. Lorah; thence by the same south thirteen degrees west forty-one feet to a corner; thence by the same southwardly eighty feet to Second street of said town; thence along the north side of Second street westwardly to the corner of Railroad Iron street; and thence along the east side of said Railroad Iron street northwardly to the corner of the alley aforesaid, the place of beginning, whereon is erected a large three story

FRAME STORE BUILDING

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J. B. McHENRY,
L. S. Wintersteen, atty. Sheriff.
12-3-ts.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

—OF VALUABLE—

REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, the undersigned trustee, appointed to make sale of the real estate of A. K. Smith, deceased, after proceedings in partition had in said estate, will expose at public sale on the premises at Jerseytown, Madison township, said county of Columbia, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 1897,

at one o'clock p. m., the following described real estate, being a house and lot of ground situated at Jerseytown, said township of Madison, bounded on the north by public road leading from Buckhorn to Muney, on the east by said public road and lot of Uriah Welliver, on the south by lot of Emery Welliver, Mrs. Chas. Fruit and D. R. Johnson's estate, and on the west by public road leading from Jerseytown to Washingtonville, whereon are erected a

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The annual election by the stockholders of the Farmers' National Bank, of Bloomsburg, Pa., to choose a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the bank on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon.

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THE COLUMBIAN.
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THE CAUSE OF OUR DEFEAT.

COMMUNICATED.

The battle is over and the Democrats have been defeated. It now seems to me to be in order to determine if possible the cause of our defeat, in order that we may avoid making a similar mistake in the future.

The free coinage of silver was made the main issue, and the result seems to indicate that a majority of our people are not quite ready to adopt free coinage at a fixed ratio of sixteen to one. While this may have been the main cause of our defeat, it was not the only one.

There was, I have no doubt, a goodly number who would not have hesitated to try the experiment of free coinage, if that had been the only objectionable feature in the Chicago platform. But some will say that free coinage of silver is not an experiment. We have had that before and it worked very well. That is true; but we have never had free coinage under present existing circumstances. When we had free coinage the bullion value of silver was equal to, and sometimes exceeded, the coin value. When the latter was the case, those having silver bullion were not clamorous for free coinage. Those silver men are very much like the rest of mankind; they are willing (we ought rather to say anxious) to have their silver coined when it is to their advantage, but are not so patriotic as to insist on having their silver coined, when they would be the loser thereby. This is very natural and I am not disposed to censure them for it.

There was, however, a great many who favored free coinage, who, like myself, had no bullion to coin. They were not actuated by any selfish motives. They honestly believed that the increase that free coinage would make in the volume of our currency would make times better for us all; and it is yet to be proved that they were in error. Those holding a different opinion would do well not to be too dogmatic about it. Dogmatism in regard to debatable questions ill becomes finite man. A little less arrogance on the part of the different factions of the Democratic party might have made us a united party and consequently victorious.

As I intimated before, there were other objections to the Chicago platform. To endorse it fully was equivalent to endorsing Altgeld, Tillman and Tom Watson. Conservative men regarded this as asking too much. I am not surprised that veteran Democrats prepared to risk temporary defeat to a victory with such a load to carry.

It was hostility to McKinley's protection theories that helped to increase the vote for Bryan. And that hostility will at no distant day hurl McKinley and his party from power, if they attempt to put their theory into practice. They will do well not to delude themselves with the idea that the people have fallen in love with a protective tariff. Protection fosters monopolies, trusts and combines whose sole aim is to get all out of the people they can, and give as little as possible in return. Protection with its legitimate offspring, trusts and combines, has done more to concentrate the wealth of the country in the hands of a few individuals than the gold standard ever has or can do. Let us then first fight the greater evil, and fight it to a finish; and it will then be in order to turn our attention to some of the minor evils. If we pursue a policy that enables a few individuals to absorb all the wealth of the country, it hardly need concern the rest of us what kind of money they may please to adopt.

ANTI-TRUST.

There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ¼ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15cts. and 25cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN O.

For Sale.

A desirable house and lot. Corner lot about 50 x 80 feet, beautiful location, all modern improvements; will be sold at once. Cheap for cash, or part down and balance to suit the purchaser; or part in exchange for other property.
For further information call on S. D. Neyhard, Building, Loan and Real Estate Agent, over First National Bank, Bloomsburg, Pa. 11-15-tf.

A Desirable Business Place For Sale.

The large three story brick store building lately occupied by J. R. Schuyler & Co., as a hardware store for sale on reasonable terms by J. H. Maize Esq., Attorney. Office Lockard building corner Main and Centre streets. tf.

Real good property in Espy for sale cheap. It is a desirable residence, large lot, and plenty of fruit. Apply to J. H Maize Esq.

THE BROADWAY.

FROM NOW TILL CHRISTMAS

It's only a few days, but each one of them is worth any two days of ordinary merchandising. All the great holiday stocks must be disposed of. The Books, the Dolls, the Toys, the Games, all the great host of fancy articles are to be sold. We carry nothing over.

Great crowds daily visit the store. Still greater crowds will follow. There's reason for it, and there's reason in it. Every counter and shelf is laden with these reasons.

Make this store the base of your holiday supplies, and see how satisfactorily you will be served.

Is It Handkerchiefs?

No stock could be in better shape to fit your every desire. Watch the throngs at the counter devoted to handkerchief selling. See them buy, and you know that the selling must be right to cause such buying.

Ladies' printed border handkerchiefs in great variety of styles, at 5c each.
Ladies' white cambric handkerchiefs, embroidered edges, very pretty, at 10c, 13c, 19c, 25c ea.
Ladies' embroidered Japanese silk handkerchiefs—a special bargain at 8c each.
Men's linen hemstitched handkerchiefs, large sizes, 25 and 35c each.
Men's woven border cambric handkerchiefs, 4c each.

A Revelation in Book Selling.

That's just what it is. Books at dry goods profits are cheap property for anybody's purchase. There's book-buying surprises in store for you. Every volume to be sold before Xmas.

Art Photographs of the World, 400 photo engravings, 10 x 12 inches, with full descriptions, cloth binding, 98c each.
"The Magic City," 200 photo engravings, 10 x 12 inches, cloth binding, 50c each.
"Gleanings from the Graphic," by Randolph Caldecot, fully illustrated, 84 pages, size 11 x 15 inches, only 25c each.
Webster's unabridged Dictionary, 85c each.
Oxford Teacher's Bibles, flexible leather bindings, $1.00 each.
Cloth bound books, assorted titles, 12 and 29c each.

A Clean Sweep of Dolls, Toys and Games.

Compare the prices with what you expected to pay for a like article and figure the saving:
Alphabet revolving chime—a large wooden toy, only 45c each.
Dolls at 4c, 10c, 19c, 24c each and upwards. Japanese dolls at 1c, 5c, 7c, 15c each.
Wooden wheel barrows, only a limited quantity, at 10c each.
Paint boxes, 3c, 8c, 15c each. Assorted masks, 3c, 4c, and 15c each.

Fancy China and Bric-A-Brac.

Don't want a piece left over. See how interesting these lots look in print:

Blue and white china cups and saucers, 5c. Decorated china fruit plates, 10c each. Decorated china bread and butter plates, 10c each. 1 lot decorated vases and bisque ornaments, regular price, 10c to 50c each, are cut to exactly half price, 5c to 25c each. Bohemian glass tumblers, 8c each. Decorated china individual salts, 3c each. Mustard pots, spoonholders, after-dinner coffees, bone dishes, &c. at 10c each.

Holiday Cloak Selling.

Not a word as to how or where we got these lots. We'll say this, however, if you have'nt bought you'll be glad you waited.
One line of ladies' Jackets and Capes at $2.98.
One line of ladies' Jackets and Capes at $3.98.
One line of ladies' Jackets and Capes at $4.98.
One line of ladies' Jackets and Capes at $6.00.
The above are all from 25 to 50 per cent. below former prices.

Men's Neckwear.

Thought we had bought too many. Looks now as if we might not have enough to go round. They were made for Christmas buyers. Every style, color and price is right.

Men's new style teck and puff scarfs, handsome colorings, just the thing for Xmas. gifts, 48c each. Men's teck scarfs, assorted light and dark colors. 15c, 19c, 25c each. Late styles in strap bows, 24c each. Men's button bows in black and fancy colors, 10c each.

The Umbrella Stock Invites You.

A complete line of serviceable and stylish umbrellas with natural sticks, both plain and trimmed. A choice selection of materials and a wide range of prices.

Good school umbrellas, 47c each. Ladies' 26 in. Union twilled silk umbrellas, fancy horn and celluloid handles, $1.39 each. Men's 28 in. Gloria umbrella, natural wood sticks, $1.00. Ladies' and men's twilled silk umbrellas, close roll, 26 and 28 inch, Congo handles, sterling silver trimmed and first-class in every detail, $2.50 each.

Many Buy Rugs for the Xmas. Gift.

We're ready for you here with a line of Ingrain, Smyrna and Moquette rugs in various sizes at prices that are sure to please: Moquette rugs, 27 x 62 inches—a holiday bargain at $1.98.

Christmas Tree Ornaments.

A wilderness of beauty in tinsel and glass, silver and gold, and all the colors of the rainbow, and the prices so moderate that a tree can be trimmed at a very slight expense. Colored glass balls, 1c, 3c. 4c, 5c each. Colored tinsel by the yard—a beautiful trimming in pink, green, yellow, silver and gilt, 4c per yd. Tinsel and gilt fairies in profusion at 1c, 3c, 4c, 5c each. Tinsel shavings, in gold and silver, 2c package.

Beautiful Fur Novelties.

Seasonable, stylish gifts, appreciated always. New lines are here this week. Note the prices: Ladies' muffs, 49c, $1.48 and $1.98 each. Ladies' animal head boas, 69c, 85c and $1.25 each. Children's white angora sets, $1.48 each. 18 inch coque feather boas, 15c each. 54 inch coque feather boas, 59c each.

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS.—Misses' mackintoshes, $2.00 each. Chenille table covers, 35c, 69c, 75c to $2.98 ea. Men's heavy wool mittens, 25c and 35c pair. Boy's steel sleds, 48c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50 each. White counter panes, 50c, 75c, $1.07, $1.25 each. Photograph albums, 50c, 75c, 98c to $2.75 each. Photograph frames, 4c, 10c, 25c each. Glove, photograph and handkerchief cases, toilet cases, work boxes, stationery boxes, metal, novelties and fancy goods in great variety.

FROM NOW TILL XMAS this store stands to help you in every way in your buying. Kindly remember this, will you? *Open until nine o'clock every evening until Christmas.*

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Call and get our prices and you will be astonished how little money it takes to buy a really first-class article.

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UPON our counters will be thrown, day after day, new arrivals which, in prices will positively be beyond the whisper of competition and comparison--prices that will teach you in the silent logic of truth the difference between dealing with live and with dead men--between the CASH and the credit system--between the RIGHT and the wrong way.

Coal oil,	2c. qt.	Baby's shoes,	10 to 25c.
Syrup,	15c. gal.	Children's shoes,	20 to 40c.
Best syrup,	25c. gal.	Misses' shoes,	25 to 50c.
5 lbs. good cakes,	25c.	Ladies' shoes,	75c to $1.00
Plug tobacco,	4 to 8c.	Men's shoes,	75c to 1.25.
Smoking tobacco,	4 to 7c.	Boy's boots & shoes,	50c to $1.25
Window glass,	3c.	Men's boots,	1.50 to 2.00.
Putty,	3 lbs. for 10c.	Ticking,	9 to 15c.
Lamp globes,	3 to 5c.	Outing flannel,	5 to 10c.
Teaspoons,	10c. set.	Table cloth,	20 to 35c.
Tablespoons,	15c. set.	Table oil cloth,	12½ to 15c.
2 foot rule,	5c.	Blankets,	50c to $1.00.
Best gun powder,	25c. lb.	Horse blankets,	90c to $1.00
Shot,	6 to 8c. lb.	Cotton flannel,	5 to 10c.
Gun caps,	5 to 8c.	Toweling,	5 to 10c.
Boy's suspenders,	5 to 10c.	Grain bags,	15 to 20c
Men's suspenders,	10 to 13c.	Plates,	3 to 8c.
Men's socks,	2 to 10c.	Vegetable dishes,	10 to 25c.
Misses' black hose,	5 to 8c.	Sugar bowls,	10 to 35c.
Ladies' vests,	20 to 35c.	Pitchers,	15 to 35c.
School bags,	10 to 15c.	Tureens,	25 to 50c.
Shears,	5 to 15c.	Valises,	30 to 90c.
Rulers,	1c.	Tubs,	40 to 90c
Tablets,	1 to 5c.	Brooms,	2 for 25c.
Pass books,	1 to 10c.	Stove pipe,	5, 10, 15 to 20c.
Buttons,	1 to 5c.	Boilers,	25 to 75c.
Men's work suits,	75c.	Stone pots,	Cheap.
Ladies' collars,	3 to 10c.	Butter pails,	Cheap.
Ladies gloves,	5 to 25c.	Lanterns,	Cheap.
Children's mittens,	8 to 20c.	Knives and Forks,	40 to 75c set.

All goods will be sold for cash or exchanged for eggs and poultry.

SILAS YOUNG,

Light Street, Pa.

Supplement--THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1896.

BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

John E. Fidler spent Monday in Danville

Cap't. John M. Buckalew of Fishing Creek, was in town on Friday.

George Patterson of Trenton, N. J., was a Bloomsburg visitor on Saturday.

John Wardon of Wilkesbarre, spent Monday in town attending to business.

Paul B. Shultz of the University of Pennsylvania, is home to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Abram Fry has been quite ill for the past two weeks.

Miss Emma Webb is clerking in the Leader store.

J. Lee Harman took a business trip to Scranton on Saturday.

Wm. Hutton spent a few days in Wilkesbarre this week.

Robt. Hartman of Eighth Street, took in the sights of Philadelphia last week.

Mr John Turner of Scranton transacted business in Bloomsburg on Saturday.

Hon. M. J Phillips of Sullivan County, was in town on Saturday, on business.

Clark V. Miller of Mifflinville, spent Monday at this place transacting business.

Miss Leatha Lockard left last week for a few week's visit to her sister, Mrs. Freas Hicks, at Hummelstown.

Rev. Rogers Israel, Rector of St. Luke's church at Scranton, preached in St Paul's church Wednesday evening.

Miss Maude Sherwood is one of the extra force of clerks at Hartman & Son's, during the holiday trade.

Miss Annie Fox returned from Jenkintown on Monday, where she had been spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Gilbert.

Mrs. Chas. B. McHenry, of Benton, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Woods, on East Fifth Street

Mr. John Warton of Scranton, was in Bloomsburg between trains on Tuesday attending to business.

Judge Ikeler is engaged this week and next in the contested election case of Judge in Schuylkill county.

Dr. Johns of Hazleton, addressed the congregation of the Lutheran Church, in the interest of the Y. M. C. A. last Sunday morning.

Mrs. A J. Townsend and son Paul, of Philadelphia, visited her sister, Mrs. Rev. B. C. Conner at the M. E. Parsonage, corner Market and Third Street, last week.

Miss Margaret Laubach is in Berwick this week teaching the new operator of the Telephone exchange which has just been opened at that place.

Arthur Colley, who for some time past has been employed at the Tube Works, left on Monday morning for Shickshinny, where he will fill the position of foreman of the tube works at that place.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

New Hose Cart Purchased for the Friendship Fire Co.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council was attended last Thursday night by President W. O. Holmes, and members Charles Kunkle, W. D. Brobst, E. A. Rawlings, W. R. Kocher and F. J. Richard.

The Finance Committee, Messrs. Kunkle, Kocher and Richard, made the following report :

We, the members of the Finance Committee of the Town Council of said Town, to whom has been referred the question of holding an election to obtain consent to issue bonds for the purpose of raising funds to pay off the present floating indebtedness of the municipality and to provide for future outlays and indebtedness to be incurred in internal improvements, beg leave to report :

That the bonded debt of the said Town is at present equal to 2 per cent. of the assessed valuation, and that there is also a floating indebtedness amounting to about $12000. It will be seen, therefore, that this floating indebtedness is in excess of the Constitutional limit and has been illegally created.

We are advised by the Town Solicitor, that the Council can not lawfully issue bonds for this excess indebtedness, either with or without an election, for the reason that an election, so as is proposed, only relates to some future indebtedness hereafter to be incurred, should the electors consent, but does not affect questions of debt already created without submission to the people ; and that the said debt could not be funded without an election because it is in excess of the limit imposed by law.

As we have already said in a former report to your body, the only way to pay this floating indebtedness which has been improperly created is by additional taxation, or by snch an economic administration of affairs as will permit the Council to gradually liquidate the same out of the current revenues.

Of course, at the present rate of expenditure this could not be done, but we would again advise, as we did heretofore, that our affairs be managed more economically, and that the tax rate be increased to an amount not greater than one per cent.

We are also advised that an election to obtain funds for future outlays may be properly held if the same is thought advisable.

But, in our opinion, we do not think that under the present condition of our finances any new debts should be incurred to such an amount as would warrant an election and issue of bonds. Such a course would only increase our funded debt without relieving us from the $12000 of unlawful excess.

We therefore report the resolution referred with a negative recommendation.

Rawlings moved that the report be laid on the table for action at a special meeting, a meeting of full Council. Seconded by Brobst. Motion lost, At this point member Gorrey arrived and the ayes and nays were then called on the same motion. Yeas—Rawlings, Gorrey, Brobst, Holmes. Nays—Richard, Kocher, Kunkle, whereupon the motion was carried and report laid on the table.

Geo. Ferguson reports pavement along the Hendershott property on Eighth Street in a dangerous condition and asks that same be repaired

W. L. Demarree made Council a proposition in reference to opening of Scott alley near Fair Ground, that he will sell enough ground for the alley for $350, or sell all of the ground east of his lumber sheds for $450 if used as a street sometime, but if sold the Town is to sell it back to him for $100, same as they pay for it. Referred to Finance Committee with power to act-

A request was made by C. H. Kline to have the pole removed from in front of Adams Express office, which was put there by the Republican club. Referred to Street Committee.

A petition was presented by resident of South Market and Port Noble streets, asking for fire protection in that vicinity. On motion of Kocher and Rawlings, Council agreed to place a water plug as prayed for.

Petition presented asking that Locust street be accepted by the Town, from 2nd to 5th, and ordained and graded as speedily as possible. Gorrey and Kunkle moved that the petition be laid on the table. Carried unanimously.

Constable handed in his report saying he had served notice on Wm. Girton and Elwood Heacock on 6th street, and Mary E. Brown and A. Z. Schoch on 4th street, requesting them to put down their pavements.

Building permit granted to W. R. Kocher for frame house on Catherine street.

A report was handed in saying that the Friendship Fire Company was in need of eight pair of gum boots, oil, waste, &c. Referred to Committee on Fire with power to act.

The Fire Committee recommended the purchase of a hose truck, as per specifications submitted by the American Fire Engine Co. for $135. On motion Council authorized the committee to make said purchase.

J. C. Millard presented a release signed by his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Millard, releasing the Town from further damages along her property on First Street, in consideration of $150 already agreed upon and to be paid to her by the Town.

Gorrey and Rawlings moved that the release be accepted and an order drawn for the amount as soon as the release is properly acknowledged. Carried.

An electric light was asked for at a point on Sixth street between Jefferson and Market, for use during the winter months only. Referred to Light Committee.

G. B. Martin sent in a complaint as to the bad condition of the Light Street road, stating that if same is not put in proper shape it will be returned to Court. Referred to Street Committee.

Bills were presented and Secretary directed to issue orders for same as follows :

C. B. Ent, recording releases..	$27.50
A. V. Hower, making 3 arrests	1.30
W. L. Demaree, for lumber..	8.72
C. W. Runyon, hardware....	19.85
Steam Co., steam for Town Hall.....	15.13
Harman & Hassert, iron jaw for crusher and work....	9.33
O. B. Mellick, cement work at the Central Hotel crossing	14.61
Moyer Bros., one bbl. cement	3.25
Clearfield Brick Co., for 800 vitrified brick pavers.....	8.00
P. & R. RR. Co., freight on brick	13.00
D. L. & W. RR. Co., freight on cobble stone.....	16.40
Samuel Neyhard, sand for Centre Street crossing.....	2.25
Car Mfg. Co. iron, oak and work.....	22.70
Water Co., 57 hydrants.....	89.17
Knorr and Culp, policemen..	80.00
R. H. Ringler, Secretary....	20.00

W. G. Ferguson also presented a bill of $100.88 for putting in the gutter at L. E. Waller's, M. J. Hess', Tustin's and Miller's and for work connected with same. The bill was referred back for correction.

R. C. Buckalew appeared and asked Council to have a bridge placed over the Main street gutter at the alley between the Court House and Farmers Bank. His request was granted.

C. W. Neal presented a draft of the proposed extension of Fifth street from Leonard west about a distance of 638 feet. He stated he had releases from Wirt and Magee and himself, and offered to do the necessary work, which would cost about $50c, and take for his pay an order for the amount and apply same on his Town taxes. Referred to the Street Committee to report at a special meeting.

George Bilig asked Council why the Ordinance requiring people to put down their pavements on Leonard street, is not enforced. He says some of the property holders have failed to comply.

L. S. Wintersteen, attorney for W. H Yetter, appeared and stated that they had filed exceptions and an appeal in the matter of the assessment of damages by reason of opening Jefferson street, and asks Council to have the mrtter adjusted soon as convenient. Referred for consideration to the special meeting.

Mr. Wintersteen, also attorney for Mrs. H. W. Sloan, spoke in regard to the appropriations of ground belonging to his client for a public highway along the river or what is known as Fifteenth St. He wants Council to go over the ground and see if an amicable settlement can be made as to amount of damages. Referred to Finance Committee.

W. H. Yetter asked that a crossing be put down over Fourth Street, at Jefferson. Referred to Street Committee.

No further business appearing, the Council adjourned.

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Corresponden..

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14th, 1896.

"Dear Boss : Unless you can buy us several more Senators it will be impossible to pay a tariff dividend on the investments of the late campaign." While the above is not the exact wording of the message sent by the caucus of Republican Senators to King Hanna, it contains the substance and real meaning of the request of the caucus steering committee, that Mr. Hanna shall try to "influence" the election of Senators who will pledge themselves to act with the Republicans on the tariff, in several states. Among the legislatures upon which the Republican Senators desire Mr. Hanna to try his "influence" are those of North Carolina, Kentucky, Washington and South Dakota. If high tariff Senators can be secured for all these, the passage of a high tariff bill at the extra session of the next Congress will be assured. Otherwise the matter has been made very doubtful, with the chances against high tariff, by the action of the silver Republicans in declining invitations to enter the Republican Senatorial caucus.

While the caucus of Republican Senators did not by a formal vote abandon the Dingley tariff bill, they did what was practically the same thing when they referred it to the steering committee and empowered that committee to act upon its own judgment. Pressure from the woolen manufacturers may compel the Republican Senators to demonstrate by some sort of a vote, not necessarily on the bill itself, that the Dingley bill cannot pass, but the bill is as dead as Ben. Harrison's force bill, so far as any serious attempt to pass it is concerned. The Republicans couldn't pass it if they wanted to, and very few of them want to. This was shown last week when the bill was before the Senate for a few minutes (on Senator Allen's motion to take it up, which carried by a vote of 35 to 21), by the consternation which existed among the Republicans who had voted for the motion because they were afraid to do otherwise.

Representative Stokes of S. C. has been served with notice of a double contest for his seat in the present and in the next House. Dr. Stokes came to Washington last year with the proper certificate of election but his seat was contested by Mr. Johnson, a Republican. Finding nothing in the case upon which to base an excuse for giving Johnson the seat, the Republicans of the House declared the seat vacant. The two men were again candidates and Dr. Stokes was elected to the vacancy and also to the next House. Johnson's contest depends more upon the Republican majority than it does upon any evidence he expects to produce.

Senator Blanchard voiced the sentiment of nearly all of the democrats in both branches of Congress when he said : "The democratic party, while beaten in the recent election, is compact organized, and full of hope for the future. It simply bides its time. It has lost some material which can be spared, and gained lots of friends, adherents, and well-wishers. It has always been a party of wonderful recuperative capacity. It will be ready for the fray in 1898 and in 1900. Woe to the republican party if it does not make good that dangerous promise it has heralded throughout the land of prosperity and good times."

Senator Quay has astonished those who thought they knew him, not only by his change of tactics—he has heretofore been the most silent of fighters—but by the wording of some of his published interviews against the candidacy of Mr. John Wanamaker for the Senate. For instance, when he said . "In the U. S. Senate, we have millionaires and business men enough to serve all legitimate purposes. Senators are needed who have no specialties but who will act for the interest of the country in gross without special affinities. The people most deserving of representation and most in need of legislative protection are the farmers, the small store keepers, the artisans and the laborers, and I stand by them." The truthfulness of the above is unquestioned, but that it should come from Mr. Quay is astonishing. While not himself a millionaire, Mr. Quay has always had the reputation of being in touch with the millionaires of the country. But, he is first of all a politician, and as such is apt to make use of what he thinks to be the most effective weapons to carry his purpose.

Senator Mills has left all the other resolutions relating to Cuba away behind by offering one directing the President to take forcible possession of Cuba and hold it until the Cubans organize a government of their own.

The House is going right ahead passing bills just as though the Senate Calendar was not already choked up with House bills passed at the last session which haven't a ghost of a chance to get acted upon.

The mountain would not go to Mahomet, so Mahomet went to the mountain. After remaining in Washington nearly a week, stopping just around the corner from the hotel at which Speaker Reed makes his home in Washington, without receiving a call from Mr. Reed, Boss Hanna decided to call upon Mr. Reed, and he did so at the latter's office in the Capitol. In view of the humble manner in which most of the republicans waited upon Hanna, this call must have been a little humiliating to him; that it was pleasant to Tom Reed is certain.

A Bonanza in Oil.

Much Excitement in the Northern Part of Pennsylvania.

Much interest is being centered in the oil fields of the northern part of this State. Several weeks ago parties began to open up an abandoned fields in McKean county, and the venture is proving a bonanza. New towns are being built, where but a short time ago was a wilderness. The boom has centered at a village called Chipmonk, and it is said that twenty-five houses were built there in two days.

The excitement rivals the scenes that were enacted in the oil regions almost thirty years ago.

Melvin St. Clair of Milton, who was charged with the murder of William Catherman, was acquitted at Sunbury last week. .

Court Proceedings Continued.

List of Petit Jurors called. Those excused were Luther Eyer of Catawissa, Davis John of Main, Geo. S. McHenry of Benton, Thos. Sherwood and F. A. Witman of Berwick.

Report of viewers in favor of a road in town of Bloomsburg beginning at the shop of C. R. Richie on North Iron St. and ending at Race bridge confirmed nisi. Width 33 feet.

Commonwealth vs. Thos. E. Harder and sons Charles and Guy, Charles Hamlin prosecutor, was tried, charge, assault and battery. Verdict not guilty, and costs divided between prosecutor and defendants.

Return of inquest estate of Daniel Morris, deceased, confirmed nisi.

Com vs. Curtis Honaberger. Assault and battery. True bill.

Following roads, &c , confirmed absolutely:

Report of viewers against bridge in Madison township near Jacob Wintersteen's.

Report against road in Pine township near Gustavus Dens'.

Report in favor of road in Greenwood township near Jno. C. Lemons.

Report in favor of road in Benton twp. near S. H. O'Brien's.

Report in favor of road in Montour township, near Geo. Y. Mourey's.

Report against road in Catawissa twp. near John Shuman's

Report widening Third Street, Benton Borough.

Curtis Honaberger vs. Gabriel Wetzel, assault and battery. Verdict, defendant not guilty and each to pay one half the costs.

Report of Grand Jury in favor of a county bridge in Cleveland township.

Sale of real estate of A. K. Smith, late of Jerseytown, deceased, ordered and John B. Casey appointed Trustee to sell same.

Estate of Peter Creasy. Frank Ikeler appointed auditor to make distribution.

The jury in the case against Wm. Harvey, Philip Hess, Peter Hess, Katharine McHenry, Wm B. Hess, Allie Harvey, Wm. Bartlett, James Hess, John Hess and Rhoda Hess, who were charged with forcible entry and detainer on the premises of J. P. Fritz and occupied by J. C. Linn in Sugarloaf township, brought in a verdict of guilty.

GRAND JURY REPORT.

We have examined the public buildings and find them in fairly good condition, except that some repairs are needed in several of the cells of the jail as follows : To the iron bedsteads a number of which have broken legs and are otherwise racked ; also to the plumbing in two or more of the cells ; the basins and hoppers in same being broken and parts of same gone. We also recommend that some action be taken by the Court in the case of John Vanderslice now confined in a cell at the jail, to the jury he seems to be insane and a dangerous person, and that he should be removed to some more proper place than our county jail.

C. W. RUNYAN, Foreman.

Com. vs. J. R. Fowler, charge selling liquor on election day. Plea, guilty. "On the statements of counsel for the defendant and the District Attorney that the sale was made on the evening of November 3rd, 1896, after the polls were closed and the vote announced to the public and the defendant believing that he had then a right to sell under the law and for that reason asked for a suspension of sentence so far as the same relates to imprisonment of the defendant, it is so ordered and the sentence of the Court is that you J. R. Fowler pay the costs of prosecution and a fine of $50 to the Commonwealth or give bail for the payment of the same to the Sheriff within ten days and stand committed until this sentence is complied with.

BY THE COURT."

Com. vs. Philip Hess et. al. Now December 10, 1896, the reasons filed in this case by Defendants' Counsel for a new trial and in arrest of judgment are over-ruled and while we consider the verdict of the Jury right and proper according to the evidence and the charge of the Court, yet in order that Allie Harvey and Rhoda Hess being married women acting in the presence of their husbands shall not and cannot be held for crime committed, the verdict of the Jury is set aside as to them, and in order that James Hess, John Hess and Wm Bartlett shall not be predjudiced by the verdict aforesaid, or the charge of Court, we set aside as to them the verdict so far as it relates to their guilt of forcible entry, and sentence them only in reference to their guilt of forcible detainer, and that they the said James Hess, John Hess and Wm. Bartlett each pay one-seventh of the costs of prosecution and that Peter Hess, Philip Hess, W. A. Hess, Katharine McHenry and Wm. Harvey pay a fine of one dollar each to the Commonwealth and that each also pay one-seventh of the costs of prosecution within fifty days of this date and in case of non-payment of said fines and costs at the expiration of that time a bench warrant may issue to apprehend the defendants sentenced or any of them and commit them to the custody of the Sheriff.

BY THE COURT.

Accidentaly Shot.

Jacob Thomas of Wilkesbarre, started on a hunting trip on the Nanticoke Mountains yesterday. He stopped at his uncle's house to get supper. His cousin picked up the gun and pointed it at the young man, thinking there was no cap on it, but the gun went off, the contents striking Thomas in the side and leg below the knee, tearing away a large portion of the calf.

The following letters are advertised Dec. 15, 1896: Frank Roy Evans, Mrs. Kate Fletcher, Mr. Jas. Foster, Ella Heard, Miss Sallie Hill, Mr. Hoope, N. B. Stapleton, Mr. Amsey Vananken, Mr. Thomas Wilson.

Cards: Mr. Tobias Williams. Will be sent to the dead letter office Dec. 29, 1896. JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

The Superintendent of buildings of New York, last week made the startling statement that 3,200 buildings in New York City are absolutely unsafe.